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MORE PEACE TALK IN BERLIN REACHES AMSTERDAM'S EARS

Czernin and Ambassador On Three Days Visit To German Headquarters

MEET CHANCELLOR

Petrograd More Hopeful After Kerenski's 'Iron Discipline' Speeches

SAILORS' LOYALTY

Support Serb Minister Who Asks Country Shall Not Be Deserted

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Amsterdam, May 20.—Count Czernin, accompanied by the Austrian Ambassador at Berlin, has just concluded a three days' visit to German Great Headquarters, where he met the Imperial German Chancellor. It is believed that peace was discussed.

Petrograd, May 20.—M. Kerenski's "iron discipline" speeches and other Ministers' utterances are welcomed as indicating the suppression of the anarchists.

There was a patriotic demonstration on Sunday at which the delegates from the Black Sea Fleet were prominent. The Servian Minister declared that, if Russia abandoned the Servians, he would shoot himself. A mighty shout from the thousands present repudiated the possibility of Russia backsliding.

French Torpedo-Boats Rush Destroyers Home

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Paris, May 21.—An official communique issued by the Ministry of Marine reports:—Yesterday morning a patrol of four French torpedo-boats encountered a flotilla of German destroyers making for Dunkirk. After a short engagement the enemy returned at high speed to their own base. One French torpedo-boat was damaged.

London, May 21.—The German official version of the above engagement claims that the German destroyers were undamaged, while the French vessels were repeatedly hit.

America Takes Over All Belgian Relief

Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, May 21.—The National Committee for the relief of Belgium announces the suspension of its appeals to the public of the British Empire, the American Government having assumed all financial responsibility for the work of the Relief Commission.

Gen. Tanaka Leaves For Hangchow Today

Lieutenant General Tanaka, second chief of the Japanese General Staff, will leave Shanghai for Hangchow this morning by the 7.40 express. He will spend the afternoon in touring round the West Lake and the evening in calling on the Military and Civil Governors, who will entertain him at a banquet. Tomorrow the Tuchun and Shanchian will return their visit and accompany him on a trip along the West Lake, the Tse-kiang and the Lu Hoh Pagoda. He is expected to return to Shanghai in the evening.

The Weather

Gloomy weather, with threats of rain. The maximum temperature recorded yesterday was 77.0 and the minimum 55.8, the figures for the corresponding day last year being respectively 81.7 and 56.1.

British Gain Another Mile Hindenburg Line, Germans Suffering Heavy Casualties

Kaiser Loses 8 Aeroplanes Against 4; General Assault On French Positions Is Smashed by Artillery

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, May 21.—Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reported yesterday evening:—As the result of an attack made early this morning we have occupied a further section of the Hindenburg Line on a front of over a mile between Fontaine-les-Croiselles and Bullecourt. The enemy unsuccessfully counter-attacked and fierce fighting continued the whole day long. We inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy and took some prisoners. Fighting continues in our favor.

We drove off raiders last night near Oppy and south-westward of Wytschaete. We carried out a successful raid southward of Armentieres.

We brought down eight aeroplanes and one balloon. Four of our aeroplanes are missing.

Paris, May 21.—The official communique issued yesterday evening reported:—The enemy's artillery bombardment having been more active on Chemin-des-Dames since the middle of the night increased in fury in the morning and the Germans, from east of Hurtebise to north of Sancy, directed a rolling fire with heavy shells and asphyxiating projectiles against our positions, but the strength of our counter-preparation rendered abortive the general assault which the enemy were preparing and the German troops massed along the greater part of the threatened front were unable to leave their trenches.

Very lively fighting at different points where they approached our lines ended in our favor and the enemy, who lost heavily by our barrages and counter-attacks, only gained a footing in our advanced elements north-east of Cerny on a front of 200 metera. Everywhere else our positions were maintained.

SPAIN STOPS BUSINESS RELATIONS WITH BERLIN

Effort To Force Indemnity For Outrage; Other Neutrals' Anger Is Increasing

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, May 21.—The continued sinking of neutral vessels by German submarines is further embittering the relations of Germany with the remaining neutral countries in Europe. There is intense indignation in Sweden over the sinking of three large ships laden with cargoes of food for Sweden, mentioned yesterday. The Government has protested and the newspapers are demanding stronger measures.

Spain has demanded an indemnity from Germany for shelling the s.s. Patrico and that Spanish ships shall not be torpedoed without warning in the safety-zone. The Spanish Government has announced that it will break off commercial relations, pending a reply.

Norway recently addressed an inquiry to Germany regarding the fate of the crews of four Norwegian ships sunk by German submarines. The German Government has callously replied that it has no information concerning them.

Killed And Missing On Western Front

Reports Received In Yokohama And Kobe Of Loss And Capture Of Former Residents

Three former residents of Japan are reported killed or missing and another taken prisoner in the battling on the western front in France in despatches reaching Yokohama and Kobe yesterday.

One death is that of Mr. Tom Wheatley Kilby, who was born and spent his boyhood in Yokohama. He was the third son of the late Mr. Edward Flint Kilby.

Another Yokohama boy to die in action was Sub-Lieutenant Gabriel Garibaldi of the Second Colonial Regiment of France, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Garibaldi of Yokohama. Lieutenant Garibaldi was in China at the outbreak of the war and had been serving for fourteen months on the western front when he was killed.

Lieut. R. L. F. Foster, of the East Kent Regiment, son of Mr. R. G. E. Foster, British consul at Kobe, has been reported missing after one of the severe actions in the west according to a telegram from the War Office to his parents.

News has come to somewhat relieve the anxiety of the parents of 2nd Lieut. G. Norman Brockhurst of Yokohama. His father has just had word by cable that the young man, who was reported missing April 17, is a prisoner of war at Karlsruhe. He was in the Royal Flying Corps.

GEN. PERSHING TO LEAD 40,000 MEN TO FRANCE

2,600 Selected Marines Are To Accompany Expedition Besides Engineers

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Washington, May 20.—Two thousand six hundred marines will accompany General Pershing's Division to France, making, with the engineers, a total of forty thousand officers and men.

Rail Men Bid Adieu To Chung Mun-yew

Former Managing Director And Wife Are Presented With Testimonials Of Regard

At a farewell ceremony held yesterday in the station compound area, Mr. Chung Mun-yew, retiring managing director of the Shanghai-Nanking and Shanghai-Hangchow-Ningpo railways, was presented with an elaborate silver centerpiece as a mark of esteem from the officials and staff of the two lines. Mrs. Chung also received a testimonial of the railroad men's regard.

Presentation was made by Mr. A. C. Clear, engineer-in-chief and general manager of the roads, who acted in the absence of Major-General Kiang. He spoke feelingly of the regard in which Mr. Chung has been held during his long years of service and of the regret all felt at his retirement. Mr. Chung replied in like strain and in bidding his associates farewell wished them success in the work before them.

An interesting coincidence in connection with this farewell ceremony is the report in the Chinese press yesterday that Mr. Chung is to be restored to office.

These reports say the action of Major-General Kiang Shao-yuan, present managing director, in removing many old and influential employes of the roads has caused the Ministry of Communications to demand an explanation. His resignation is predicted by these papers.

Chen Chin-tao's Trial Being Held in Secret

Peking, May 22.—The trial of Dr. Chen Chin-tao, former Minister of Finance, began Monday at the Peking Court of Procurators. No spectators were allowed. It was adjourned till Friday.

The authorities at Dairen have refused the extradition of Yin Shu-li, former Vice-Minister of Finance, implicated in the notorious bribery case, on the ground that Yin is a political refugee at that city.

THE SANDERN MURDER

Reuter's Pacific Service to The China Press

Osaka, May 22.—The trial of Fukuoka, the murderer of Ilma Sandern, opened today. The Procurator demanded the death penalty.

American War Steps Outlined By Legation To Shanghai Consul

Division To Be Sent Over, National Guard Mustered In, 1,000,000 Conscripts Called

Official confirmation of the decision to despatch a contingent of American troops to the front in France is contained in a cablegram to the American Legation in Peking, forwarded to the American Consulate here yesterday. This message also confirms the setting of a national registration day for the enrollment of those who come within the first class to be called for military service under the conscription plan.

The telegram follows:

Orders issued directing expeditionary force approximately one division of regular troops in command of General John J. Pershing proceed France earliest practicable date. Pershing and staff will precede troops abroad. This is in addition to nine regiments of engineers recently ordered recruited for service in France. An American army division is between twenty and twenty-five thousand men. President also issues proclamation putting draft law in force required all males between 21 and 30 inclusive shall register for military service on June fifth. It is estimated this category of citizenry numbers ten million of which President is authorised to select two increments of 500,000 each. At the same time war department announces full strength of National Guard would be drafted into United States army. All Governors have been ordered to bring militia regiments to full war strength, these will number 329,000 men. Regular army has already been ordered increased to 293,000. Following are extracts from President's proclamation fixing registration date: "The power against which we are arrayed has sought to impose its will upon the world by force. To this end it has increased armament until it has changed the face of war. In the sense in which we have been wont to think of armies, there are no armies in this struggle, there are entire nations armed thus. The men who remain to till the soil and man the factories are no less a part of the army than the men beneath the battle flags. It must be so with us. It is not an army that we must shape and train for war. It is a nation. To this end our people must draw close in one compact front against the common foe. The nation needs all men but it needs each man not in the field that would most please him but in the endeavor that will best serve the commen good. The whole nation must be a team in which each man shall play the part for which he is best fitted. The date here named is the time upon which all men shall present themselves for assignment to their tasks, it is for that reason destined to be remembered as one of the most conspicuous moments in our history. It is nothing less than the day upon which the manhood of the country shall step forward in one solid rank in defence of the ideals to which the nation is consecrated."

Repeatedly Failing, Austrians' Assaults On Italians Stopped

Latter Further Extend Positions On Vodice; Break Defence At Gorizia

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Rome, May 20.—An official communique reports:—We extended our positions on Vodice and drove back dense masses of the enemy who attempted to stop our progress. In the evening the enemy abandoned their counter-attacks and concentrated their artillery fire on the positions they had lost, which we maintained. We captured several guns, trench-mortars and machine-guns.

We entered the enemy's lines eastward of Gorizia. We took 254 prisoners during the day's operations.

The diversion made by the enemy by means of a heavy bombardment and infantry attacks in Trentino was unsuccessful.

TORPEDO FRENCH SHIP

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, May 20.—The French naval vessel Colbert was torpedoed in the Mediterranean on April 30 and 51 men were drowned.

Commander Of U. S. Troops In France

Maj. Gen. John J. Pershing

Major-General John Joseph Pershing, who leads the American division to the European battlefields, is recognised as one of the most brilliant and efficient officers in United States military affairs. He led the punitive expedition into Mexico last year and his skilful handling of troops in that difficult situation gained a great deal of praise in military and executive circles.

Gen. Pershing is 56 years old and has to his credit a long record of army service. He served through the Apache Indian campaigns in New Mexico and Arizona in 1886 and in the Sioux troubles in Dakota in 1890-91, commanding the Sioux Indian scouts. For five years following this he was military instructor at the University of Nebraska and then for two years, until the outbreak of the Spanish war, instructor in tactics at the United States Military Academy at West Point. He served in the Cuban campaign with the 10th Cavalry and other regiments and organised the Bureau of Insular affairs, serving as its chief until August, 1899. He became captain in the 1st U. S. Cavalry in 1901.

In the Philippine Islands he had some years of experience, being made adjutant-general of the Department of Mindanao and commanding operations against the Moros. In 1905 and 1906 he was military attache in Tokio and was with Kuroki's army in Manchuria in 1905. After service on the General Staff from 1903 to 1906 he was made brigadier-general and went back to the Philippines as commander of the Department of Mindanao and governor of Moro Province. He was major-general commanding the Eighth brigade at Columbus, N. M., when Major-General Funston died several months ago and replaced the latter as commander of the Southern department.

German Casualties 4,245,804- Official

42,838 Added During April Offensive; Full Total Of Deaths Is Now 1,041,029

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, May 20.—The Press Bureau announces: The casualties contained in the German official lists for the month of April total 42,838; of which deaths amounted to 11,979; making the total German casualties to date 4,245,804, of which the deaths according to the German official casualty lists, number 1,041,029.

Naval casualties are not included in the above.

Mail Notices

MAILS CLOSE

For Japan:—
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kasuga M. May 24
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Omi Maru May 25
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Chikugo M. May 29
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Hakuai M. June 2

For U.S., Canada, and Europe:—
Per P.M. s.s. Venezuela.....May 24
Per T.K.K. s.s. Tenyo Maru May 28
Per N.Y.K. s.s. K'kura M. June 13
Per T.K.K. s.s. Nippon M. June 14

For Europe:—
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Katori M. June 3
Per N.Y.K. s.s. Kamo Maru June 10

The American mail is due here today, per T.K.K. s.s. Nippon Maru.

New Compulsion Boom Started In Australia

Ex-Attorney-General Irvine In Strong Appeal; Support In Western Province

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Melbourne, May 21.—Sir W. Irvine, in a speech, yesterday, strongly urged universal military service, saying that, until that step had been taken, Australia would not have done its duty. This sentiment was loudly applauded.

Sir W. Irvine is the late Attorney-General and was selected by Mr. W. M. Hughes to accompany him to England, to attend the Imperial War Conference.

Perth, W. A., May 21.—The Recruiting Committee has unanimously passed a resolution that, following upon the unmistakable mandate of the people, the Premier of the Commonwealth of Australia should be asked to introduce immediately legislation compelling every eligible man, in his proper turn, to take his place at the front.

MACAO GOVERNOR

Reuter's Pacific Service to The China Press

Canton, May 21.—The Governor of Macao arrived in Canton, yesterday, on a visit and was awarded a great reception.

TUCHUNS ARE OFF TO CONSULT WITH GEN. CHANG HSUN

President In Favor Of Tuan Retiring, But Feng Wishes To Retain Him

PREMIER SEES LI

Asks Suggestion As to Successor, So That He Can Give Advice

TRIAL OF EDITOR

To Examine Chen Secretly First, Then Publicly, Before Three Judges

Special Cable to The China Press

Peking, May 22.—The political development is becoming most interesting. The President favors the Premier's retirement, but the Military Governors won't agree to it.

The majority of the Governors left for Hsuchow, last night, to consult Chang Hsun. Vice-President Feng Kuo-chang favors the retention of the Premier and Parliament, through mediation or compromise.

The President is surrounded by the Kuomintang politicians, while the Premier is strongly supported by the military men and the Chinputang. The Military Governors left Peking without asking the President's permission.

The whole shameful dispute is due to party strife.

Premier Asks President To Nominate Successor

(Reuter's Agency War Service)

Peking, May 22.—Reuter's Agency is authoritatively informed, concerning the present political situation, that the Premier is quite willing to resign, if convinced that the interests of the country in internal and external affairs will not be adversely affected thereby. Yesterday, the Premier, after a consultation with General Wang Shih-chen, the Chief of the General Staff, went to President Li Yuan-hung and asked him to name anyone he might have in mind to nominate as his successor to the Premiership, in order that he might advise the President.

With respect to the action of the Military Governors, Meng En-yuan and Chang Hwai-chih, the Tuchuns of Kirin and Shantung respectively, had luncheon with President Li Yuan-hung, yesterday, after which they discussed the situation. They stated, on behalf of their colleagues, contrary to the opinion of Parliament that the Cabinet is incapable of carrying on the administration of the country, that the Tuchuns considered that Parliament itself is incompetent.

In support of this opinion, they pointed out that, although Parliament has been in session for nearly ten months, only two measures have been passed into law, namely, the National Burial Act and the Celebration of the Completion of the Constitution Act. The Tuchuns, therefore, are strongly opposed to Parliament's alleged attempt to usurp the executive powers and they particularly desired the President to give the closest attention to their petition demanding amendment of certain clauses in the draft of the Constitution affecting the position of the Premier, or, alternatively, the dissolution of Parliament.

The Tuchuns left Peking, last night, for Hsuchowfu, where they will hold a conference with General Chang Hsun, before finally departing for their various posts.

With respect to the arrest of Mr. Eugene Chen, the Government took action because it considered the article which appeared in the Peking Gazette on the 18th liable to create a serious situation with regard to the Government arsenals and calculated, moreover, to provoke bitter feeling against a friendly neighboring country. The case will be dealt with according to the usual legal process.

The preliminary examination of the prisoner will be held in camera, but if and when the accused is formally charged, the trial will be held publicly, with at least three judges on the bench, as required by the Chinese court system.

President Li Determined Parliament Must Remain

(From the Chinese Press)

"I will not do anything unlawful, I will not place my seal on the resolu-

tion to dissolve Parliament and I do not fear death," was the terse answer President Li made in response to Wu Chin-lien, leader of the Yih Yu Shih party when the latter asked his plans for dealing with the memorandum filed by the Tuchuns demanding the dissolution of Parliament.

Wu, together with Kuo Chung-shu, leader of the Chen Shu Hui; Tang Hua-lung, leader of the Yen Chu Hui, and Wang Chen-ting, leader of the Chen Yu Club, were summoned by the Chief Executive to discuss the points brought up by the Tuchuns in their petition. The political leaders did not assume any attitude of opposition against the military governors and expressed themselves as willing to yield to certain conditions after discussing the matter with the members of their respective parties.

The President is resolved to pigeonhole the memorandum, but the Tuchuns will soon request him for action. Should the answer be unsatisfactory, they will leave Peking and find other measures to deal with the situation.

The Tuchuns again met Sunday afternoon and decided to file another note if no action is taken by the President. They also secretly wired to Vice-President Feng and General Chang Hsun for their opinion of the memorandum. The reply from Chang Hsun gave the action a strong endorsement, while Mr. Feng, in a personal communication to one of the members of the President's office, declared that he will not associate himself with any action that is beyond the limits of law, and he will never be foolish enough to act unlawfully as Vice-President of the Republic.

General Nih Shih-chung and Tuchun Chang Hui-tse went to Tientsin to ask Hsu Shih-chang to endorse their action in demanding the dissolution of Parliament. They returned Monday and held a secret meeting in the home of Tuan Chi-jui.

Chief Secretary of the Cabinet, Chang Kuo-kan, returned from Tientsin Monday and reported that Hsu Shih-chang will not come up to Peking. His hope is that the Cabinet, Parliament and the Tuchuns will mutually yield to one another and solve the difficult problem.

Premier Tuan called on Wang Shih-tsen, chief of the general staff, to act in his capacity for the time being, but Wang refused. Tuan reported the refusal of both Hsu and Wang to the President, who said that he had no one else in mind besides these two. Rumors are current that Tuan will persuade Hsu to accept the post.

Chang Shao-tsen, Chief of the Peking Grenadiers, in a circular telegram to the provinces, expressed his objection to the interference of the Tuchuns with constitutional questions. He has asked for leave of absence for 15 days and left the capital for Tientsin.

The Military Governors were guests at a dinner given yesterday by General Tsao Kan at his residence.

All the Chinese Ministers to foreign countries have asked for severe punishment of the demonstrators in front of the Lower House. More than ten memoranda were received Monday by the President's Office from Szechuen, Hupeh and Shansi requesting him to deal severely with the instigators of the demonstration.

The leaders of the petitioners who belonged to the Army and Navy, Chang Yao-chin, Liu Shih-chin and Liu Wen-chin, have been handed over to the Court-martial.

Reports from Szechuen state that Liu Chun-hao refuses to disband his troops and go to Peking. The government has instructed Commissioner Wang Jen-wen to caution him, threatening to resort to force should he again persist.

Lu Yung-ting, Inspector-General of the two Kwang provinces, has recommended the appointment of former governor Lung Chi-kwang to some reliable post on account of his capability. It is reported that Lung will soon appear in Peking.

An answer has been filed with the Investigation Bureau of Judicial Officers by former Chief Procurator Yang Yin-hang, who was deprived of his office for exceeding his power in the arrest of Hsu Shih-ying, former Minister of Communications, in connection with the Hua Mei Company bribery case. The bureau has considered the 12 reasons furnished by Yang as sufficient grounds for the arrest and proposes to restore him to office with a fine.

The Cabinet has ordered General Liu Chun-hao not to interfere with the salt gabelle in Szechuen.

MORE TOBACCO SMOKED

London, March 26.—In spite of the demands for economy the amount of tobacco smoked last year was 4,728,600 lb. more than in 1915, according to Mr. Robert P. Monerieff, in his "National Tobacco Bill for 1916." The total consumption was 130,620,000 lb., about 2 4-5 lb. a head of the population, or 12¾ lb. a family. The cost a head for tobacco and "appliances" was £1 1s. 1d., an increase of 3s. 8¾d. on 1915. Soldiers and sailors smoked "duty free" 16,243,700 lb., costing £2,669,500.

The national expenditure on tobacco has increased from £39,976,800 in 1915 to £48,630,000, an increase of £8,653,200.

HOW BRITISH CIRCLED ARRAS IN GREAT DRIVE

From Early Evening To Sunrise They Swept Everything Before Them

DEFENSE WAS PARALYSED

Aerial Observers Shot Down, Guns Silenced, Reserves Scattered And Men Stunned

From W. Beach Thomas

France, April 10.—The great battle has continued without cessation. We stormed trenches south of Arras at eight o'clock last night and extended our gains north of the Vimy Ridge early this morning.

We have seen victory in all its forms; the best was the visible waves of two kilted regiments swinging up the hill towards Cambrai in open formation. Not a shell pitched among them, so clean were the heavens swept of aerial observers and so muddled were the German gunners. We saw our own field guns tearing forward at the gallop into villages just now in German hands, and a little later spare Army horses were coming in the opposite direction with German guns behind them. We saw the German caught by his own petard in a literal sense, for one of the agents was our liquid fire (a form of attack specially recommended by von Armin to Hindenburg), which descended in gilded rain on the heads of the terrified enemy. Never did a terrible thing look so beautiful.

We have seen our cavalry trot forward into ambush and tighten girths for a gallop; we saw the tanks deserting their lair behind the trees and climb after the infantry up Telegraph Hill; we have seen hundred after hundred of Bavarians come down to a single corps cage till the number was near 2,000, while our good-natured soldiers filled their water-bottles for them and tossed harmless inquiries about "Kaiser Bill" and "Hindenbeggar" over the barbed-wire walls. The scene gave a real touch of Bank Holiday.

Lastly, we have watched every trench and fort that was German smoke by day and burn by night under the visitation of our shells; yet even so our eyes cannot collect within twenty-four or forty-eight hours half the tale of victory.

The number of German guns caught on the banks of the Scarpe was not known till late last night, and the smaller booty will not be reckoned for days, indeed weeks, so widely scattered is it, and in some cases so well hidden.

Better Days For Arras

The efficiency of our barrage cut off the rescue of the guns, it broke all communication with reserves, it terrified, it killed. All records in curtain fire were excelled in the direction of Vimy Village. Our airmen saw trains and lorries hurrying up strong supports for a counter-attack and for the support of threatened redoubts. Within a very short space every available heavy gun was brought to bear on the new target, for the debouching spot was out of the range of the smaller guns. Did anyone before ever see advancing troops cut off by a fire curtain, a drop scene, a portcullis of 12in. and 9in. and 8in. shells?

No more was heard or seen of those valiant supports assembling in Vimy Village. Prisoners have tales of bits of the shells hitting men half a mile from the bursting point. The battle may be called the Battle of Arras, a place fathoms deep in history, for it was about the middle point of a front extending almost from Givenchy (west of La Bassee) to St. Quentin, and there in its eastern suburbs the fighting was at its hottest, and these English and Scottish troops from Pevensey to Sutherland won a fight greater than July 1, opening of the Somme, or September 15, High Wood, or November 13, Beaumont-Hamel.

On Arras the enemy chiefly concentrated his fury. Many streets are like stale tips and the cathedral is like a chalk quarry. It is now a real task to discover a row of houses that are habitable, but some few French men and women still went about their work or gossiped in the open throughout the battle, and last night slept more serenely than before in the old Spanish cellars and passages. They felt, if they did not know, that British troops were near them, that a score of the German batteries on the Scarpe which had broken their sleep were in British hands, that Arras was approaching the end of its tribulation.

Personally, I saw its first and last bombardment. General Petain took me into the town when the great tallow factory was on fire the day after the Germans put 500 shells into the town hall and felled the famous Spanish tower. That was in November 1914, when the enemy nearly broke the Allied line at Arras, at Ypres, and on the Yser.

Battle Extending North

The present position is that we are up against the switch of the Hindenburg line south of Arras to St. Quentin, and we have turned their line east of Arras. North-east of Arras, above the Scarpe, we have broken all the enemy's defensive system and he is retiring to the reserve Hindenburg line in front of Douai. We have topped the Vimy Ridge and the battle is extending north.

A strong wind from the west still brings heavy hail and snowstorms, broken by rare bursts of sunshine. No German airmen are to be seen.

Guns Taken Everywhere

Later.—Our victory expands at every moment.

The roads are packed with prisoners who do everything to facilitate the work of their captors, as they have done from the moment when our men reached them. They surrendered gladly and have been helpful to the point of servility. But this does not mean that they fought badly. At a nest of machine guns on the highest point of the Vimy Ridge and in scores of pits and posts east of Arras the machine gunners and snipers fought skilfully. Their readiness to surrender was helped by hunger; many of the prisoners had eaten nothing whatever for two days owing to our impassable barrage.

These captives are an amazing medley in every way—of all sorts, sizes and ages and physique. They include every part of the Army—gunners, pioneers, trench-mortar men, engineers, special snipers, tunnellers, and the rest. Four artillery observation officers caught on the Vimy Ridge were furious with their own men because they had not told them they were going to run away.

Guns were captured everywhere. One division alone took 26, and the corps cavalry won 2 howitzers. Fifty were taken on one corps' front. The guns are of many sorts and sizes, and so terrible was our artillery fire that guns and mortars and machine guns are burst here, there, and everywhere.

One of the finest separate feats of the artillery was at the railway triangle (east of Arras). The far apex was full of machine gunners over which our barrage had passed. News was sent back, and immediately a barrage began to creep back towards our men, finally stopping exactly along the line of the danger spot, and wiped it out, as it has wiped out Thelus, Feuchy, and scores of redoubts. The infantry were chiefly left scattered, and single machine gunners and dazed men in bits of trenches and cellars. A notable exception was the German stand at Blangy (east of Arras), which was magnificently stormed by a famous battalion of a famous division.

The most characteristic of the enemy's works are his tunnels, which he has been digging everywhere. The two biggest are still intact, though they were prepared for mines run into the northern part of the Vimy Ridge, of which the final redoubt was stormed by the Canadians last night.

We cannot yet tell the scope of this great victory. We can see the enemy in Vimy village and many trenches in front are strongly held.

Waves of our infantry are now storming fresh positions and are not suffering heavy casualties from artillery fire. At first the German gunners were very slow in firing and missed, and assaulting waves passed many danger zones unscathed.

Arras was not shelled today. Our tanks were in action and proved very useful here and there, especially at the Harp. In every big attack so far our infantry have succeeded without a hitch.

German Uneasiness

Amsterdam, April 11.—The German Press is doing everything possible to neutralise the depressing effect of the reports of the Battle of Arras. The main point in all the comments is that the British have not succeeded in breaking through the German line.

The Leipziger Neueste Nachrichten vaunts the Crown Prince Rupprecht's leadership, declaring that he has taken all precautions to ensure that this new English surf shall break impotently against the German granite wall.

The Frankfurter Zeitung says that the German Command certainly counted on this Arras battle, which it neither avoided nor feared, adding that it is perhaps not too much to say that it has lain directly in the plan of the German Command. The newspaper further says that, unhappily, the defence of the West front will this year cost Germany a heavy sacrifice.

The ominous words "the loss of guns must be reckoned with" occur in several reports. The Cologne Gazette and the Kolnische Volkszeitung attempt to soften them by saying that the guns must have been rendered useless by explosives before capture. The former journal's comment on the loss of men is that the toughness with which German troops resist the enemy prevents them from giving up the struggle always at the right time, especially as communication with the Higher Command is broken and barrage fire dominates the ground behind.

The Rheinisch-Westfalische Zeitung, quoting the Kaiser's words in a recent decree about "a new time," says that the conflict at Arras and Soissons will decide whether a new time is dawning for the German people or not. If, says the newspaper, victory be granted to German arms, a new time will dawn for a greater Germany, but otherwise a new time will indeed dawn, but not a better, and the construction of German social and economic life, of which the Imperial message speaks, will retire into misty remoteness.

The military correspondent of the Vossische Zeitung, in an article headed "Beginning of Decisive Battle," says:

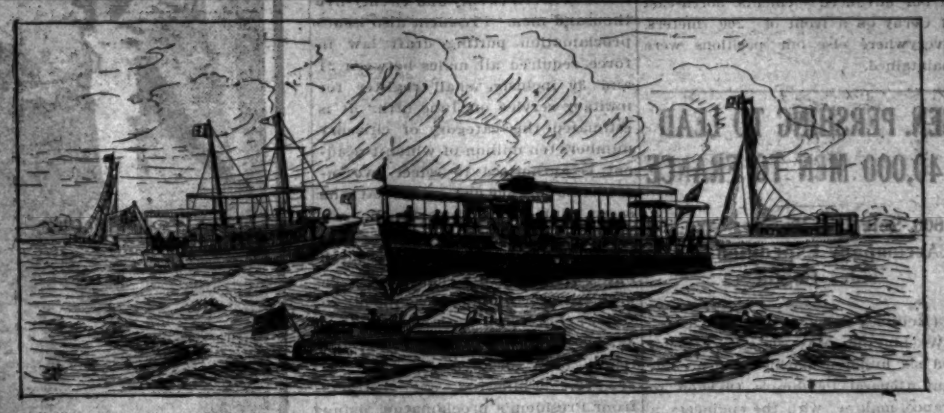
"Our enemies must recognise from the manner of our resistance that the Germans are resolved again on the most stubborn resistance. This moment must bring the decision of the English and French General Staffs to ripeness; it is time for action. In these days begins a great action, which we, indeed, regard as the decisive battle of the whole campaign. Not in vain have the hardest battles of the whole war been fought near Arras. Arras can be described as the most important strategical point of the whole line. We can contemplate the events of the next days and weeks with the fullest calm."

Effects on Public Opinion

Berne, April 11.—The Journal de Geneve says that there can be no doubt this time about the enforced character of the German retreat. It was not a manœuvre but a check, says the newspaper. It then discusses the effect on public opinion in Germany, and says:—

"Perhaps insufficient stress has been laid on the important fact that in present circumstances the German High Command, notwithstanding its assumed confidence, no longer enjoys full liberty of action. The proof of this is to be seen in the trouble it takes to persuade the population that the Somme retreat is an ingenious operation destined to blossom into brilliant victory in the future. In the present uncertain condition of German public opinion the Commander-in-Chief is obliged to consider much more than before the susceptibility of the crowd to impressions. There must be less boldness and more prudence about his plans, not only because his reserves are no longer so formidable, but because the people would be less capable of enduring an announcement of reverses, which Press control would become unable to hide or minimise."

The newspaper then calls attention to the misleading character of the maps now being published in Germany, and says that "in some respects they recall those familiar ones which aimed at concealing the defeat of the Marne."



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TIENTSIN-PUKOW RAIL SERVICE STILL WORSE

Two Incidents Disclose Bribery Or Intimidation In Sleeping Berth Bookings

Special Correspondence of the China Press

Tsinan, May 18.—It is apparent to those who travel on the Tientsin-Pukow Railroad that its management is increasingly less efficient. The equipment is not kept in repair, and the cars, especially the second class cars, are often in a filthy condition. There is also, on the part of those who use sleeping cars, marked dis-satisfaction. Hardly a day goes by but that someone, boarding the train at Tsinan, finds that either he or she cannot get a berth at all. It is especially inconvenient for women travelling alone. This would not be surprising on a "rush" day especially if the person had not made advance reservations; but it is also as likely to happen even if advance reservation has been made at the head office in Tientsin.

Recently a gentleman, knowing his wife was to travel to Shanghai alone, secured reservation four days in advance and in order to make sure that all would be clear, enclosed a return addressed post-card, asking for reply. The reply came, assigning a stated coupe and berth by number for the given date. When the train pulled in there were no accommodations. One gentleman and his wife had secured (as they thought) reservations in Tientsin from Tsinan to Pukow. They got on the train north of Tsinan, intending to claim their night reservations at Tsinan. Before they arrived at Tsinan they found that no provision had been made for them; on arrival there they were unable to secure places, with the result they had to break their plans, get off the train and spend the night at the hotel in Tsinan.

Both of these incidents happened within two days and such experiences are of constant occurrence. There is a growing belief that all is not "on the square;" that certain people get on the train, bribe or force the porter to take down the card on the door and put up a new one, or the name is changed on the original door-card. These things are not only inconvenient in the extreme, but they grieve the heart of every well-wisher of China.

Another Complaint

From another city on the Tientsin-Pukow line comes the following:

Editor, THE CHINA PRESS

Dear Sir.—I am certainly obliged to you for carrying my short communication on "Frenzied Railroading" in your issue of May 15. An important error occurred however. The article as printed reads Tientsin-Peking R. R. whereas it should read Tientsin-Pukow. So I fear injustice has been done an innocent railroad.

Yours &c.
F.

Music For Today

The following program will, weather permitting, be played by the Band in the Public Garden today beginning at 5.30 p.m.—

1.—March "Happy Days in Dixie" ..... Mills
2.—Overture "Maritana" ... Wallace
3.—"Romance and Polacca" Le Thière
Clarinet Solo: Mr. Cattapan.
4.—Selection "Pinafore" ... Sullivan
5.—Song "The Star of Bethlehem" ..... Adams
6.—Selection "All the Girls" Williams

A. de Kryger,
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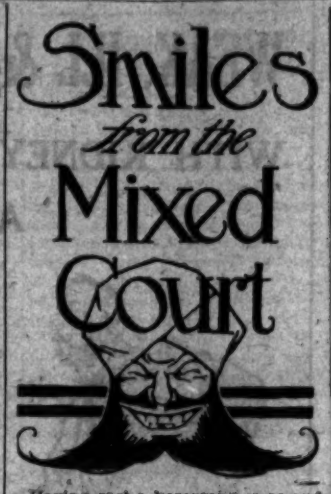
Smiles from the Mixed Court



Having cast a horoscope or so and found the day to be auspicious, Yan Ah-san, fortune teller, sallied forth to take the morning air. He had no intention whatever of taking anything else. A feeling of uplifting righteousness and peace with the world enfolded him like a cloud of smoke. He sneezed. He withdrew modestly into an alleyway to blow his nose. And here the utter unreliability of horoscopes became apparent. Or maybe Yan got his ingredients mixed when he threw the aforesaid prognostication—or he passed himself a prediction belonging to someone else.

Be that as it may, Sung Ching-fah, whose house abuts on the alleyway mentioned, related to the assessor in the Mixed Court, that he had heard a noise in the rear room of the house and investigating saw Yan leaving hastily with a large basket, containing 2 brass ladles, 1 brass slide and one ditto chopper, all of same being the property of himself, Sung Ching-fah. He caught the departing one in the alley. Yan admitted the point regarding the alley but said he was not in the house. And the basket? Ah, he could not explain the basket. Something was wrong. That wretched horoscope! The assessor thought something was wrong too, or at least it didn't jibe with the precepts of the Municipal code. Yan will cast no more horoscopes for 9 months, and after that he won't, hereabouts.

Lok Gets A Room

Loh Tze-liang was overcome with joy at the prospect of renting that vacant room. He expatiated to Lok Hwai-sung on its advantages. South front—fine view—pleasant neighborhood—no mosquitoes—near the tram line—cool in Summer—warm in Winter—sublime in Autumn—more so in Spring. Oh yes, just what Lok wanted. Beautiful hooks for hanging clothes—walls on all sides—ceiling and floor complete. And, ah, the final convincing inducement—over this way, in the corner—magnificent box with cover on it for storing money, sox, family heirlooms, anything. Evidently Lok wasn't interested in the safety deposit argument. Inquiring glance from Loh. Gone! New cotton jacket belonging to Loh, also gone! Outcry! Chase! Capture!

Inquiry by the detective bureau disclosed three other victims of Lok's room-seeking activities. At 426 Yuenfong Road he slid unobtrusively away with the bed while the housekeeper was looking the other way. A few doors away at No. 317 he accumulated two jackets, and at 719 Seward Road, one silk one. Six months free room rent seemed to about fit his ailment.

Choose Your Version

A Chinese watchman explained to the assessor that he had observed Lien Ong-sung coming out of a yard at 86 Yangtszepoo Road, bearing a guilty appearance and a bundle of wood, and so had gathered him in and turned him over to the police.

Lien also explained. He was ambling tranquilly along, revolving pleasing thoughts in his mind. Two men were walking before him. Suddenly they dropped a bundle of wood and ran. And lo, he was run in! Lien was dismissed with a solemn warning of the perils of walking behind persons bearing stolen faggots.

DENIES REPORT THAT FRISCO'S PRO-GERMAN

Geo. E. McWilliams, Writing To Brother Here, Tells Of U. S. Conditions

Under date of San Francisco, April 23, Mr. Geo. E. McWilliams writes to his brother, Mr. C. E. McWilliams, passenger agent of the T.K.K. here, to assure him that San Francisco is proving just as loyal as any other part of the United States. He says:

"It is a surprise to me to learn that San Francisco has been considered pro-German. To be sure we have a considerable German population, but at the same time I think that the other foreigners friendly to the Allies would largely outnumber them. Such German friends as I have seem to avoid the war topic religiously, although if you got beneath the surface there is little doubt as to where their sympathies would be.

"The French, British, etc., have been much more outspoken right from the start, which would argue to my mind that they are much more certain as to our attitude. Since the declaration of war I have not heard a peep from a German; what few have forgotten themselves are over at Angel Island and there is room for many more should the occasion arise. It is the same all over the United States, even in such cities as Milwaukee, Cincinnati and St. Louis where the Germans largely predominate.

"Two or three days ago we got advices of an uprising of the Germans in Brazil but nothing is getting by the censor now, so cannot say how serious it is. There are reported to be five hundred thousand Germans there and with their military training they could make trouble if they had arms. I agree with all you say regarding compulsory military training; it can hurt no boy and should make him a better all-round citizen. I have been opposed to compulsory military service as it savored too much of Prussianism. But we can train the youths to be efficient soldiers and if necessary resort to conscription if our volunteer system breaks down.

"It begins to look as though we would have government control of prices; they keep on sky rocketing and the horizon seems to be the limit. Think of wheat selling at four cents a pound. I mean to the millers! There is not a food product but what is in the same proportion. Wilson is too close a student of history, not to know the danger of a hungry people.

"Under separate cover I am sending you Wilson's appeal to the people of the United States. He is such a perfect master of English that I feel that you will enjoy his utterances as much as I do, although his subject in this particular instance is not what could be called an enjoyable one. However it is a liberal education to study his style; his state and international papers are masterpieces and he is the first President since Jackson to appear in person before Congress in delivering his addresses. The usual course of procedure was for the Executive to write his messages which the Clerk of the House would drone through while the members made a sneak. With Wilson however, it is always a crowded house."

War Funds

Fly Trap Fund

		Tls.
Balance as per List of May 18		1,102.29
"Previous to"	$ 5	
G. C. Wilson	10	
C. E. E.	5	
H. E. K.	5	
N. W. Hickling	25	
S. W. W.	10	
The Secretary	5	
R. W.	5	
Dr. Billinghurst	50	
Shanghai Race Club	3,500	
	$3,620	
at Var. Exch.		2,620.85
Balance in hand		3,723.14

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Overseas Aircraft Fund

	Tls.
Balance in hand as per List of May 18.	150.07
Shanghai Race Club $12,000 at 72.4.	8,688.00
	Tls. 8,838.07
T. T. £1,500 at 3/6⅝ for Cost of Aeroplane Scout Shanghai Race Club No. 4.	8,445.75
Balance in hand	Tls. 392.32

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G. E. Griffin	25.00	C. S. Cheetham	2.00
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J. L. Beaumont	5.00	H. Forshaw	5.00
C. G. Humphrys	25.00	H. Forrester	5.00
A. H. Hopkyn Rees	5.00	R. A. Bell	2.00
A. W. Stubbs	5.00	C. L. Martin	2.00
W. S. Bowman	5.00	G. W. Shipway	5.00
W. E. Anderson	5.00	Shanghai Race Club	$4,000.00
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	plain	„	48.10	„	„	37.50
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	non-skid	„	37.85	„	„	37.35
	plain	„	35.00	„	„	35.60
815 x 105	red top	Tls.	39.00	32 x 3½	Tls.	41.75
	non-skid	„	36.10	„	„	40.15
	plain	„	33.20	—	„	—
760 x 90	red top	Tls.	27.80	30 x 3½	„	20.75
	non-skid	„	25.25	„	„	19.60
	plain	„	21.70	—	„	—
red top	30 x 3	Tls.	17.60	red top 28 x 3	Tls.	15.80
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OVERSEAS LEAGUE OF CHEFOO HAS MEETING

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Special Correspondence of The China Press

Chefoo, May 17.—On Tuesday evening the Patriotic League of Britons Overseas held their annual meeting. There was no report but Mr. King, the British Consul here, who was in the chair, gave a brief resume of the League's activities during the past year. One could not but be surprised at the amount of work accomplished as well as at the generosity of Britons in Chefoo indicated by the total of the subscriptions.

It was announced that owing to the prevalence of sickness, the sports for the children, usually such a feature of Empire Day celebrations, would this year be postponed. Arrangements were to be made to have an old fashioned English concert on the evening of the 24th. The Committee of the League were also to issue a subscription list which in addition to the takings from the concert, was hoped to result in the sending of a substantial sum of money to the Royal Flying Corps Hospital.

Perhaps the most interesting part of the meeting was the announcement of the completion of the scheme for the acquiring of Mrs. L. H. Smith's residence to be used as the Nursing Home, or as it is now to be called the "Chefoo Sanatorium." For some time the idea of establishing this home here has been on the tapis. The matter was discussed some few months ago at a meeting of the British Chamber of Commerce but rumors were responsible for the feeling that the scheme was not to materialise. Now, however, the welcome announcement has been made that the whole matter is practically an accomplished affair.

The Russo-Asiatic Bank is, we hear, to guarantee the capital, which it is hoped will be subscribed for by business firms and residents. Shares of $100 each are to be issued; $35,000 is to be devoted to the purchasing of the building as it stands with furniture complete. It is excellently situated and is in every way most desirable for the institution. As was stated at the meeting no difficulty is anticipated in making the sanatorium a financial success, as its need is so apparent, and since it has moreover the promised support of the medical profession of Shanghai. A Committee has been formed which will work in conjunction with the British Chamber of Commerce to this end.

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I THOUGHT HE WAS A GREENIE—HE LOOKS LIKE A LIMOUSINE BUT HE'S GOTTA JITNEY BRAIN
INDOOR SPORTS
MAKING BRILLIANT SUGGESTIONS TO A FATHEADED PLUMBER WHO IS OUT ON HIS SECOND JOB AS A SOLDER HOUND
I'D HAVE TA EAT A LOTTA PIE TO FILL DEM
WELL—I GUESS I BETTER GO BACK TO THE SHOP AN' GET THE BOOK—THEY MUST BE SOME WAY TO STOP THAT
COULDN'T YOU RING UP THE RESSIE VOY PEOPLE AN TELL EM TO PLUG UP THE WATER PIPE UP THERE
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AMERICAN SILK EXPERT IN HANGCHOW MARKET

Mr. D. E. Douty Tells Producers And Merchants How To Increase Trade

Special Correspondence of The China Press

Hangchow, May 21.—Mr. D. E. Douty, General Manager of the United States (Silk) Conditioning and Testing Company and unofficial envoy of the raw silk consumers of America, is spending a few days in Hangchow in the interest of the raw silk trade between this section and America. He is meeting silk producers and merchants and officials and is explaining to them the great and growing demand of the American market for raw silk and the ways in which China can have an increasing share in supplying that demand.

He is also presenting the same subject to more popular audiences including the teachers and students of such institutions as the School of Sericulture, the Agricultural School, Technical School, and Commercial School. He illustrates his addresses with moving picture films showing improved methods of production in Italy and Japan.

He is receiving a cordial welcome from the Provincial authorities and from such bodies as the Chamber of Commerce and the Silk Guild and it is hoped that his visit will lead to an increase in Chekiang's foreign silk trade. Mr. Douty comes to Hangchow from extended visits of investigation and promotion in Japan, Kwangtung Province, and Foochow. From Hangchow he goes to Shanghai, Soochow, Wusih, Nanking, Hankow, and Peking.

Huchow's Final Honors To Gen. Chen Chi-mei

Special Correspondence of The China Press

Huchow, May 18.—This afternoon at two o'clock in the famous old temple of the God of War in the southern part of the city, was held a memorial service in honor of Huchow's most illustrious citizen, Gen. Chen Chi-mei, who was assassinated one year ago today, supposedly by order of Yuan Shih-k'ai. The services of this afternoon were a continuation of the funeral ceremonies which began last Wednesday, at which time an imposing procession consisting of the officials of the city, a large guard of soldiers, the students from all the schools, and many of the leading citizens escorted the body of their martyred townsman to its last resting place on the side of a beautiful hill a mile south of the city.

Today's exercises consisted chiefly of speeches in honor of Gen. Chen. President Li Yuan-hung sent a representative, Mr. Hu Han-ming, a member of Parliament from Canton and Tutuh of Kwangtuug province during the revolutionary period of 1912, who made a short address.

The principal feature of the meeting was an address by Mr. Tai Tien-chiu, a Huchow man who was formerly connected with a Shanghai newspaper, and by his bold writings in favor of the rights of the people made himself obnoxious to President Yuan with the result that a price was set upon his head.

Mr. Tai reviewed the life of Chen Chi-mei in an eloquent and brilliant manner to the evident satisfaction of the large audience. Both Mr. Tai and Mr. Hu won considerable distinction by their revolutionary activities around Nanking in 1913.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies at the temple a visit was paid to the tomb where certain sacrificial rites were observed.

CHEFOO WANTS RAIN

Special Correspondence of The China Press

Chefoo, May 17.—At last we have had a little rain, but the need for lots more is most apparent, not only in Chefoo but in the surrounding country districts. The ground is hard and very parched and the poor villagers are being hard put to it for a means of livelihood. Grain is bound to be scarce and consequently very dear. Up to the last few days the weather too has been unusually cold for the time of the year.

Tsinan, Nanhsuchow, Both Add Prayer For Rain to Save Crops

Special Correspondence of The China Press

Tsinan, May 18.—Readers of The China Press have no doubt noticed reports from widely separated sections of Central and North China indicating a long-continued absence of rain. Usually the weather is not a very interesting item of conversation but it is sometimes a very serious one. It is exceptionally so here, for from November 4, till ten days ago there had been no rain at all. And this rain a few days ago was entirely insufficient, in the Western half of the Province even and still farther West, to help the wheat, to say nothing of making it possible to plow in order that the Fall crops might be planted.

There was only one snow in the Winter of about a quarter of an inch, and all of this went off in an hour or two by evaporation into the excessively dry air. It is clear, that no little suffering will follow for the thousands who are so closely dependent on the soil for their day-to-day bread.

There is one thing that, in certain places and in certain homes, will offset this hardship, namely the "comfort money" coming in to the homes of those who have enlisted in "The Coolie Battalions." Some small villages will receive monthly three or four hundred dollars; while the amount coming into Shantung may total two hundred and fifty thousand dollars or even three hundred thousand dollars per month.

Nanhsuchow, Anhui, May 18.—This section is still suffering from a very severe drought. The last rain of about two inches occurred the middle of March. With this exception this region has had no rain since the heavy one the first week in November, and only half an inch of snow during the winter. Farmers say that the wheat will not be over half a crop. If it wasn't for the cool, cloudy weather it would be far short of that. In the lake land (land which is covered with water during the wet season of the summer and which is dry during the winter and spring months) the crop will hardly be worth harvesting.

The spring crops of kaoliang, cotton and peanuts have not yet been planted as there is not moisture enough to germinate the seeds. Some fields of kaoliang were planted but with little success as a very uneven stand is the result.

Prices of grain have risen from 30 to 60% since the first of January owing to the shortage of crops last year due to the excessive floods. The cattle sale which takes place every spring occurred today and the fact that very few animals passed hands shows that feeding stuffs and grain are high.

This drought is but another argument for the carrying out of the Hwai River Conservancy Project and an extensive local drainage system connected therewith. It is the low-lying lands which are suffering most from the dry weather for the reason that the wheat had to be planted late, owing to the floods of last summer and hence did not get time to become well rooted before the drought. Until a well planned drainage system is worked out in this region or, as suggested by Prof. L. H. Bailey, until the land is built up and some of it devoted entirely to lakes and canals this region is bound to have its famines of a more or less serious nature.

GEN. TANAKA IN HANGCHOW

Special Correspondence of the China Press

Hangchow, May 21.—General Tanaka, Chief of the Military Staff of the Japanese Imperial Government is a guest in Hangchow this week. The military and civil authorities are extending many courtesies to him.

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HINDENBURG EXPLAINS WHY HE IS CONFIDENT

'Western Front Now So Strong That It Can Withstand Every Attack'

Amsterdam, April 10.—A Berlin telegram contains an account of an interview given by Hindenburg to a representative of the Barcelona journal Vanguardia, in which the Marshal said:

"In deciding upon unrestricted U-boat warfare, notwithstanding the possibility of the United States coming to the assistance of the Entente Powers, we deemed such assistance as of no weight. The American supply of war material to the Entente has already reached such a magnitude that any further increase appears to be hardly possible, and now it is proposed to raise an army of half a million to two millions of men.

"To equip such an army and at the same time to supply the Entente on the present scale appears to be impossible. The material assistance given to the Entente cannot be very great within any measurable time, and it is the task of our U-boats continually to diminish it.

"If the British Fleet, with the help of the French, Italian, Russian, and Japanese Navies, has hitherto been unable to overcome the U-boat danger, the American Fleet will not succeed either. The Entente has no weapon against the U-boats; the sea barrier continues with growing effectiveness. The more ships there are on the ocean the greater will be the U-boats' booty.

"This year is, according to the statements of the Entente leaders, to bring the final decision. Moreover, we too have taken our measures. Oure eastern front has been so consolidated and is now garrisoned by such a mass of men that General Brusiloff, even with the most ruthless sacrifice of men, can achieve no success. Even the crassest optimist in the Entente camp cannot today deny that the recent events in Russia will promote our plans. Last year we required our strategical army reserve to repulse Brusiloff's irruption, and the western front was thrown upon its own limited resources. Nevertheless, the Anglo-French attack was repulsed.

"Today things are fundamentally different. The western front has become so strong that we can withstand every attack. With absolute security on all our fronts we have today at our free disposal an army reserve of a strength and preparedness which have not been equalled at any other time during the war, ready for defence or attack at any point we may choose.

"Nothing which happens on any front, in the sea, or in the air should be regarded as an isolated phenomenon. Everything is part of one great plan. In this sense our Army and Navy have become one. Today, after only two months' U-boat warfare, I can already tell you that our calculation was correct. The course which we adopted, with full appreciation of all the dangers which it entailed, is leading us to the goal. We have considered all the possibilities, and, acting on the best of human knowledge and conscience, we have chosen those which will lead us to victory and peace."

The Dufault Concert

Paul Dufault gave the first of his two farewell concerts at the Olympic Theater last night. The last will be Friday night.

Even in his farewell concerts M. Dufault is giving his many admirers new programs. Most of the numbers last night had not been heard before, although in his encores, he was responsive to the expressed preferences of those who have heard him before. Of these "How's My Boy?" ranks first in popularity.

This is in large measure due to the narrative interest in the song and its splendid rendition by M. Dufault. Although born in Canada of French parents, M. Dufault sings English in a manner not excelled by the best of the English or American singers. Notwithstanding his French descent M. Dufault is a firm believer in English songs for English speaking people.

Two numbers on last night's program that stood out equally with M. Dufault's efforts were Miss Pauline Bindley's singing of "The Last Rose of Summer" as an encore and Mr. Ernest Empson's skillful playing of Debussy's "Arabesque."

For the last concert on Friday, an all-request program will be given. Those wishing special numbers by M. Dufault or his assisting artists, are desired to send their requests to M. Dufault at the Astor House. All the requests will be carefully tabulated, and the program made up from the numbers desired by the majority. The booking is at Moutrie's.

DIDN'T KNOW OF THE WAR

London, March 26.—A tall, intelligent-looking man, poorly dressed, who gave the name of Kenrick Naunheim, was remanded at Bow-street on Saturday charged with begging and with failing, as an alien to register.

Hearing the man speak with a foreign accent a constable questioned him, when he said he was a German, and admitted that he had never been naturalised or registered as an enemy alien. Later he declared he did not know a war was going on.

School Sports Saturday

The Soochow Inter-Middle School sports, in which nine schools will participate, are to be held on the Soochow University play grounds next Saturday. Preliminary heats will be run off in the morning. The institutions which will join in the games are Soochow University first middle school, Soochow Academy, Yates' Academy, Anglo-Chinese middle school, Presbyterian middle school, Soochow Normal school, Agricultural school, Technical school, and Soochow middle school.

BEAT TOKIO RECORDS

Reuter's Pacific Service to The China Press

Osaka, May 22.—The Filipino athletes who took part in the Olympic Sports in Tokio have left for Manila, after a visit lasting for four days to Osaka, where, under the auspices of the Osaka Asahi and Mainichi, a series of field and track contests were held. An unprecedented crowd watched the sports and tremendous enthusiasm prevailed. Some of the results were better than the Tokio records.

SPORTS — Latest News of Athletic World — GOSSIP

PLAN ANNUAL TRACK SPORTS AT HANGCHOW

Schools' First Gathering Gives Great Encouragement To Its Promoters

Special Correspondence of The China Press

Hangchow, May 21.—On Friday and Saturday there was held on the large and well appointed athletic field of Wayland Academy, the First Chekiang Christian Middle School Athletic Meet. Wayland Academy, the Middle School Department of the Hangchow Presbyterian College, the Kashing High School, and the Shaohing High School participated in the meet. Messrs. R. H. Ewing, P. Kirkpatrick, George Hudson, and A. I. Nasmith were in charge of the respective teams. Mr. Z. V. Lee of the Salt Gabelle, an old St. John's athlete, as referee conducted the meet in a most satisfactory manner.

It is proposed that this meet be an annual one inasmuch as it gives promise of contributing largely to athletics and college spirit in general in the mission schools of this Province.

In addition to track and field events there was a tennis tournament and a spirited exhibition of indoor baseball outdoors between Wayland Academy and the Kashing High School.

In the field and track meet Wayland Academy won the silver shield given for first place with 72 points. The other schools finished in the following order: Hangchow Presbyterian Mission School, 41; Kashing Presbyterian Middle School, 14; Shaohing Baptist Middle School, 4. A detailed record is given below.

(1) 100 yd. Dash. Won by Yu Me-seng, (Wayland); 2nd Dyen Fu-tsang, (H. P. M. S.); 3rd Kuh Chin-ken, Kashing; 4th Yang Yong-ien (H. P M. S.)

Time—11-3/5.

(2) High Jump. Won by Tsu Yui-li, (Wayland), 2nd Yang Yong-ien (H. P. M. S.), 3rd Dyen Fu-tsong (H. P. M. S.) 4th Chen Pan-zai (Wayland).

Height—4 ft. 9¼ inches.

(3) Half Mile. Won by Yu Me-sung (Wayland), 2nd Dyen Zao-hin (H. P. M. S.), 3rd Dzen Sang-hyi (H.P.M.S.), 4th Seng Yong-wa (Wayland).

Time—2: 17-3/5.

(4) 220 yd. Dash. Won by Dzen Fu-tsang (H. P. M. S.), 2nd Kuh Chin-ken (Kashing), 3rd Yang Yong-ien (H. P. M. S.), 4th Dyen Song-hyi (H. P. M. S.)

Time—27-1/5.

(5) Shot Put. Won by Wu Ven-yao (Wayland), 2nd Li Shang-chun (Wayland), 3rd Dyen Fu-tsang (H. P. M. S.), 4th Ts Yung-yung (Wayland).

Distance 27 feet.

(6) 440 yd. Dash. Won by Chen Ts-liang (Wayland), 2nd Shi Tseng-yih (Kashing), 3rd Chin Den-pin (Kashing), 4th Kying Suh-lu (Wayland)

Time 60-4/5 sec.

(7) Broad Jump. Won by Wang Dao (Wayland), 2nd Tsu Yui-li (Wayland), 3rd Lo Hei-ku (Wayland), 4th Dzen Fu-tsung, (H. P. M. S.)

Distance 16 feet 7 inches.

(8) Discus Throw. Won by Wu Ven-yao (Wayland), 2nd Ts Yung-yung (Wayland), 3rd Tseo Song (Shaohing), 4th Leo Hei-ku (Wayland).

Distance 70 feet 2½ inches.

(9) Low Hurdles. Won by Tsu Yin-li (Wayland), 2nd Wong Dao (Wayland), 3rd Kui Chin-ken (Kashing), 4th Dzen Fu-tseng (H. P. M. S.)

Time 31-3/5 sec.

(10) Mile Run. Won by Dyen Zao-bin (H. P. M. S.), 2nd Yu Me-seng (Wayland), 3rd Yih Dyan (H. P. M. S.), 4th Dyen Fu-tseng (H. P. M. S.)

Time 5 min; 22 sec.

(11) Pole Vault. Won by Tsu Yin-li (Wayland), 2nd Yong Ven-yun (H. P. M. S.), 3rd Dzen Fu-tsang (H. P. M. S.), 4th Tseo Meo-tsa (Shaohing).

Height 8 feet 4 inches.

(12) Half Mile Relay. Won by Wayland, 2nd Hangchow H. P. M. S., 3rd Kashing, 4th Shaohing.

Interport Rifle Shoot

The Shanghai end of the friendly interport rifle match between Hongkong and this city, held under the auspices of the S.R.A., is to be shot off this morning, firing beginning at 6.15 o'clock.

The following were the final selections for the Shanghai team:—

A. M. Collaco, L. J. Hughes, R. K. Hykes, O. L. Ilbert, H. Kodaira, E. H. Lynch, J. Macbeth, W. J. Monk, W. E. Sauer, G. H. A. Snow, W. J. Terrill, C. E. M. Thomson.

Reserve.—K. McKellie.

Messrs. Brodie A. Clarke, W. J. E. Forsyth and D. McAllister will act as umpires. The regulations call for 12 to shoot and 10 best scores to count.

Gala Sports Meet For Chefoo College

Special Correspondence of The China Press

Chefoo, May 17.—Last Saturday was a gala day at the Temple Hill Anglo-American-Chinese College, for in the afternoon the Annual Field Meet took place before a huge concourse of Chinese spectators. On the previous Wednesday there had been a meet between the students and the faculty of the college, resulting in a fairly easy victory for the latter. The form shown by the students then, however, indicated that in their own meet there was bound to be a close and exciting encounter.

Those who were present on Saturday were not disappointed for the various events were most warmly contested. It was difficult to single out any of the events for special mention as all were run off so well, but the mile race was one of unusual importance. For this, there were four entries and two of the contestants kept together at a fair pace all through, until in the last lap when they spurted at a pace that would have done credit in the hundred yards dash. It was a capital race and revealed the stamina of the students. Tremendous enthusiam was evinced by the spectators.

As a result of the afternoon's sports the honor of holding the magnificent Challenge Shield was won by the student Shu Yueng-geng, who secured 15 points while the second got 13 and the third 11. A word of praise is undoubtedly due to the faculty for the splendid form of the students as well as for the excellent manner in which the meet was organised.

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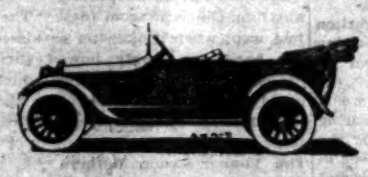
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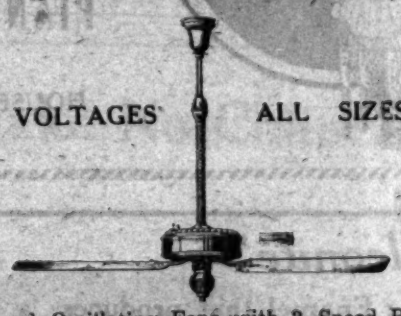
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A Service At St. Paul's

(New York Times, April 22)

IN its more than two hundred years of stately life, St. Paul's has seen no other service of so deep a spiritual and moral significance as that of Friday, April 20, "on the occasion of the entrance of the United States of America into the great war for freedom." It symbolised and proclaimed to the mind, as did the Stars and Stripes and Union Jack side by side at the choir entrance and at the peak of the Victoria Tower in Westminster, the reunion of brethren, the common hopes and purposes of two great democratic nations, joined with other democracies to establish the rule of the people, to safeguard ordered liberty, to break down the last citadels of absolutism.

In all that congregation, brilliant with the decorative and amiable royalty which the British democracy maintains as a sort of historical flag and emblem of the unity of a widely scattered people, amid Princes and Princesses, and famous names, Ambassadors and statesmen, officials, military and naval officers, the representatives of the British Commonwealth, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the mind's eye dwells on those Americans in Australian, Canadian, New Zealand uniforms who had anticipated the choice their country would make; on that little band of veterans of the civil war; on Bishop Brent of the Philippines, added to the United States in a war which brought us invaluable proof of British friendship when we had no other friends. It is the American Bishop whose words we carry away from that great symbolic ceremony, and their spirit is that of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" and "The Star-Spangled Banner," strange and doubly noble, surging over that mighty rotunda:

"This, I venture to say, is not merely the beginning of a new era but of a new epoch. At this moment a great nation, well skilled in self-sacrifice, is standing by with deep sympathy and bidding godspeed to another great nation that is making its act of self-dedication to God. * * * This act of America has enabled her to find her soul. America, which stands for democracy, the cause of the plain people, must fight, must champion this cause at all costs."

A new era and a new epoch! New for most of the civilised world, for Great Britain and the United States, new in an especial sense. Standing together in the sharpest peril of government by the people, the people of the two countries discard old jealousies, remembered feuds, legendary causes of bitterness, kept fresh here by calculating politicians. Peacefully, gradually, in the last fifty years with irresistible gathering power, the American Revolution has conquered Great Britain. Only with the aristocratic oligarchy was our quarrel. With a democracy even more democratic than our own we must be friends. Our law and political precedents and institutions, our great traditions of liberty, derive from English sources. We bettered the instruction. We maintained our liberties against the bungling autocracy of poor old George III. In the supreme conflict for liberty Americans and British are together. It is a memorable moment in the history of both.

Whatever our share or fortune in that conflict, after it the relations of the two nations will be closer. With all parts of that vast democracy the United States will be bound by the ties of a common cause, manfully upheld in war. For American interests everywhere, for the durable peace of the world, this Anglo-American Entente, resting on the deep basis of democracy, cannot but be potent.

How far away and ludicrous now seems that ancient thunder in the index of "Fifty-four, Forty, or Fight." Mischievous men may try to nurse the old hostility. They cannot. The spirit of American nationalism and democracy and the spirit of British nationalism and democracy are one in the last fight for freedom. No social consideration enters into the union. It is moral. It will endure.

Helping Russia

(New York World)

THE report that the President will name Elihu Root as head of the American Commission to Russia, the prospect that the first use of the war loan will be to provide resources to the new republic, show that the Administration is attaching great importance to developments in that country. And not too much importance. Russia may easily prove to be the key of the war.

The enormous latent power of Russia needs only such co-ordination as the United States can aid it to achieve to prove irresistible upon the Eastern front by any war power that weakened and despondent Germany can now array. After the war a peace-loving, peace-intending, peace-compelling nation of 170,000,000 souls will be the most powerful recruit the sacred cause of self-government will ever have gained. With Russia firm in the cause, the world will be "made safe for democracy."

To put the giant upon its feet is the first need. The United States should promptly offer the new government all the aid that financial support and political, military and technical advice can furnish. It is a first step toward winning the war. It is the longest step toward organising peace.

Russia is unorganised and to some extent at the mercy of minorities grouped in the few large centers of population, and these again are preyed upon by designing persons serving the German cause. The country is at the moment less endangered by the old reactionary party than it is by visionaries and extremists manipulated from Berlin. Mr. Root's long experience, his keen intellect, his knowledge of men and principles of government make him an ideal appointment to bear counsel and assistance from the oldest to the newest great Republic.

There Are Crocuses At Nottingham

(By A Man In The Trenches)

These lines, "From a Trench," appeared in the Times Literary Supplement:—

Out here the dogs of war run loose,
Their whipper-in is Death;
Across the spoilt and battered fields
We hear their sobbing breath.
The fields where grew the living corn
Are heavy with our dead;
Yet still the fields at home are green
And I have heard it said:
That—
There are crocuses at Nottingham!
Wild crocuses at Nottingham!
Blue crocuses at Nottingham!
Though here the grass is red.
There are little girls at Nottingham
Who do not dread the Boche,
Young girls at school at Nottingham
(Lord! how I need a wash!)
There are little boys at Nottingham
Who never hear a gun;
There are silly fools in Nottingham
Who think we're here for fun.
When—
There are crocuses at Nottingham!
Young crocus buds at Nottingham!
Thousands of buds at Nottingham!
Ungathered by the Hun.
But here we trample down the grass
Into a purple slime;
There lives no tree to give the birds
House room in pairing-time.
We live in holes, like cellar rats,
But through the noise and smell
I often see those crocuses
Of which the people tell.
Why!
There are crocuses at Nottingham!
Bright crocuses at Nottingham!
Real crocuses at Nottingham!
Because we're here in Hell.

A woman's comment on these lines follows:

There Are Silent Homes In England

Today the lonely winds are loose,
And crying goes the rain,
And here we walk the fields they knew,
The Dead who died in pain.
The fields that wait the slow hours long
For sounds that shall not come—
In other fields, in other earth
The laughing hearts lie dumb.
And—
There are silent homes in England now,
And wakeful eyes in England, now,
And tired hearts in England, now,
Unhailed by fife or drum.
There are crocuses at Nottingham
And jonquils in the South,
And any Dorset child may press
A snowdrop to her mouth.
The broken flesh that Flanders keeps,
It, too, may have its flowers,
But are they haunted, memory-sad
As these new buds of ours?
For—
There are ghosts abroad in England, now,
And crying winds in England, now,
And none forget in England, now,
The wasted lives and powers.
Here, we who cannot even die
Live out our emptied days—
The maimed, the blind, the witless throng
Our unassaulted ways.
Around our lives, the broken lives
Like worthless toys downthrown,
And they were dropt in Hell, whilst here
The early flowers had blown,
But—
Our hearts are pierced in England, now,
And none forget in England, now,
That redder seed than England's now
In Flanders earth is sown!

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CHIN-CHIN

They are putting tacks, in Peking, on the editorial chairs,
They are planting silv'ry patches mid the editorial hairs.
An editorial nightmare gallops nightly o'er the beds
Of such editorial writers as are still possessed of heads.
Every morn ye scribe arises as the dawn begins to pale
To see if they've arrived as yet to cart him off to jail.
Ye editorial thunder sounds these days in dulcet notes,
And there seems to be a tether on ye editorial goats—
Ye days are gone when editors without restraint might shout,
For some government'll get 'em if they don't watch out.

JIMMIE

A Quiet Kentucky Day

There were quite a number of men on the streets in an intoxicated condition—more than usual, it appeared. There were no "rough necks" among them, however, and the day passed very peacefully, except for the killing in Henryville.—*Carlisle Mercury.*

Our music critic this morning points out the excellence of Mr. Dufault's enunciation, which is true, and adds as a corollary that Mr. Dufault believes in songs in English for English speaking people, which is unfortunate. Singers with good enunciation should sing only songs in some tongue their hearers don't understand. To be cured of any belief in opera in English one needs but to hear and understand the lyrics of the ordinary opera or art-song. We throw away every day much better verse submitted to Chin Chin.

Chin Chin:—Re chopped meat. It is at least neutral. I have eaten it as Bitoke a la Russe and Koenigsberger Klops in the same week right here in Shanghai. But, of course, Shanghai is an international mess, hash or stew, isn't it?

TABLE D. HOTE

Yes, theoretically.

Jack Raynes, leader of the Carlton orchestra, was once with a touring company in a one-horse town in Wisconsin and was told that the local orchestra which he would have the pleasure of directing during the run of the piece—with the accent on the run!—would be in attendance at the theater for rehearsal at 6 p.m. Jack was there to time and sat there by himself till five minutes to seven, when a solitary individual drifted in.

Under cross-examination he said his name certainly was Silas Brahms Smith, he sure could get music out of the violin and he actually was a vital unit in that orchestra.

"But where are the others?"

"Why" (quite casually), "they have all gone off to play at a hop."

"And do you reckon to play through for this piece by yourself?"

"Yep, I certainly do."

"H'm, you must be some musician, then?"

"No, I really aint much. If I was, I'd be at the hop, too."

Must Be a Rocky Place

The Lerma Cabaret in Manila advertises itself as the place "where no stone is left unturned to cater to your smallest wants." Does that refer to the manners of the clientele or the cuisine?

Speaking of cabarets, what echoes it would ring in the tombs of the past on Broadway (New York) if they knew that down in Kuala Lumpur the state band was still playing "The Gaby Glide."

Whoever put the rush in Russia put it going backwards.

Big Day In Iowa

(From The Mercyville Banner)

Seldom has there been more excitement and pleasure in this town. There was a social at the M. E. Church parlors, a demonstration of a new beverage in Gauley's drug store and a meeting of the Philomath at the same time.

"My Lady?"
My lady's working on the farm—
We're waiting for the rest of it.

THE JOSS MAN.

Profitable Redundancy

Mr Roosevelt gets paid by the word, which may be why he says in his West India article that he stopped at the house of the richest man on one of the islands, and adds that the man is a Scot.

Love at First Sight

"Do you believe in love at first sight"

"Of course I do. There's Higgins, for instance. Do you suppose his wife would have married him if she'd taken a second look at his face?"

Horrors Of Invasion

French Women Speak

Miss E. Almas Stout, says The Daily Mail, is the first British woman to visit those parts of France re-conquered by the Allies from the Germans, and we give below her first impressions.

By E. Almas Stout

Some few miles from the line which the Huns held for so many months in the big salient in the region of Roye, Lassigny, and Noyon lies a village where, in one sector, is to be found horror—stark, naked horror.

Close to the village station is a little township of long wooden huts, destined for a vast military hospital in the days before the Great Retreat carried the battle-line many miles farther north. And now these huts are put to a different but no less heartrending use.

For there, collected in their hundreds and thousands, are old men, women, and children from all the country-side which the Huns have so systematically and so devilishly devastated, and the stream is hourly swelling.

Three years ago they were happy, thrifty, hard-working members of a prosperous little community. Today they are homeless, penniless, emaciated wrecks clutching their small bundles, the sole relics of their once happy homes, in their attenuated arms.

As I passed from hut to hut, each crowded to overflowing with its human wreckage, my step grew heavier, and the cheering and sympathetic word so eagerly looked for came with more difficulty.

First I visited a couple of huts containing, roughly, some hundred old men and women, mostly quite out of their minds. Many of them, sick and diseased, had lived for 30 months in a cellar, some with such appallingly open wounds that the condition in which they arrived beggars description. I am not "out" to use pretty words, but if I spoke the naked truth it could not be printed.

It was almost impossible to get anything coherent from these. They just wept when spoken to, or kissed my hand, or merely bowed their heads in a hopeless misery which could not yet appreciate the fact that the days of their greatest hardships were over.

The Young, Strong Mothers

Another hut was filled with women and children, most of them ill, some dying from privation. For 30 months they had not touched meat or eaten sufficient of any sort of food to keep body and soul decently together.

One mother, tending in turn her three children, mites whose skeleton bodies and white faces with prematurely old and fear-filled eyes haunt me still, told me between her sobs that they were all she had left in the world, and two of them were obviously dying. Her husband was a prisoner, her home burned, and all her little treasures had been taken from her. She had the clothes in which she stood up and nothing more. She came from a village which the Germans had left somewhat hurriedly—too hurriedly to destroy before their departure—and so when they had gone a little way they stopped and bombarded it till scarcely a cottage was left, although they knew better than anyone else there were only women and children and old men left in it.

She pointed out to me two ragged little girls in one corner and three small boys playing on the floor in another, and said: "These children are worse off than mine. Their mothers were young and strong, and they have both been taken away by the German officers to work in Germany. How they wept when they were dragged away from their little ones by the Boches!"

My eyes were dim with tears as I turned to an old woman clad in a few wretched rags and said: "You will never want to see a German again?"

I was almost frightened at the result of my words, for her face became frenzied as she cried, "I live now for only one thing, for I have lost everything—my husband, my sons, my home, my only daughter, who was ruined by a German devil. I am going to pray M. Poincare that one day he will give a German into my hands that I may tear out his eyes with my own fingers!"

Let any woman reads what I have written suffer as that woman had suffered, and I think no one will dare to sit in judgment on her.

Suddenly I heard a voice cry out in my own tongue: "Ah, madame, surely you are English? Come and speak to me."

I turned to see an old woman with the tears rolling down her cheeks as she held out her arms to me, and I went to her bedside.

I asked after her husband, but she shook her head. "I do not know. He was in Paris when war broke out, and for nearly three years I have heard nothing. Without doubt he is dead."

She told how she was ill in hospital in the village which she had made her home when the Germans entered, how they stole every metal utensil from the hospital, even the knobs of the doors, and sent the nurses and house doctor to care for their own wounded, leaving the French sick and aged utterly untended.

Hun Total of Prisoners

During the long, terrible years that these people lived in German bondage not one word reached them of the outer world save what the Germans chose to let them have. Their sole newspaper was the now famous Gazette des Ardennes, of which she showed me several extracts, one in particular pointing out that the Germans and French were really good friends, and only the treacherous English prevented them from making the peace that two brave enemies who respected each other would otherwise make.

She told me how the Germans stole all the food from their hospital, the live fowls and rabbits, and when the sister in charge expostulated, saying she must feed her sick, the officer answered, "I too must feed mine. Your sick have had all they needed for a long time. Now, if needs be, they must starve. One German soldier is worth more than all your old people. And remember you are the vanquished and we are the conquerors and can take what we please."

I left the many rows of sheltering huts and walked over to the station, where a train laden with about 600 souls who had been fed and tended in this first "clearing station" was getting ready to start, and I talked with many of the women leaning eagerly out of the windows.

Each had her own pitiful tale, but one woman's story arrested me more than most. Mme. X was an intelligent, forceful woman of about 55, and she told me she came from one of the villages that had just been freed by the English.

She had been put in prison for a fortnight by the Germans for the following offence. During the Huns' occupation the French inhabitants were fed with marvellous accounts of German victories and of the number of French prisoners they took daily. Mme. X kept a diary of the numbers of prisoners the Germans had made—according to themselves—and at the end of two or three weeks she totalled them up and said, with inimitable French humor, to the officer quartered on her:

"Tiens, monsieur, since you have made so many prisoners, there is no one left in France, for you have captured more than our whole population!"

Then the train rolled slowly out, every window crowded with heads, mostly hatless, and lean arms waved as the cry went up from hundreds of throats, "Vive la France! Vive l'Angleterre!"

And even at that same moment another train steamed slowly in to the opposite platform and a fresh stream of homeless derelicts staggered out, dazed and trembling with the recollection of the burning homes they had just left, waiting to be taken to the long empty huts ready to shelter them.

Bismarck's Horror

Bismarck's horror at the Armenian atrocities of 1877 was shown by the remarkable letter he wrote to his Emperor, William I., on August 11, 1877.

This Emperor was the grandfather of the present German Emperor, the faithful ally today of the Turks who murdered the Armenians in 1916.

Said Bismarck to William I.:—

"It is difficult to preserve a diplomatic calmness in the face of such barbarity, and I think indignation is general among Christian States.

"These events are evidence, for the Russians, that they are in this war, *the true champions of Christian civilisation against barbarism let loose.*"

That statement holds true in A.D. 1917, as in 1877, A.D.

The Haughty Master Cecil

The waywardness of Master Cecil, a boy of six years, sometimes made it necessary for his mother to use her slipper. This usually resulted in a haughtiness of manner and expression for some hours after Master Cecil had been "attended to." One evening his father came home to discover palpable proof of the fact that Cecil had been having a private interview with his mother.

"Well, Cecil, what's the trouble now?" asked his father.

"Your wife has been licking me again, Sir!" was the reply.

A Common Variety

"What is the poetry of motion?"

"The kind that is always going from one editor to another."

Blessed Immunity

Ethel surprised her mother by her interest in a statue of the Venus of Milo.

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"Why, dear?" her mother asked.

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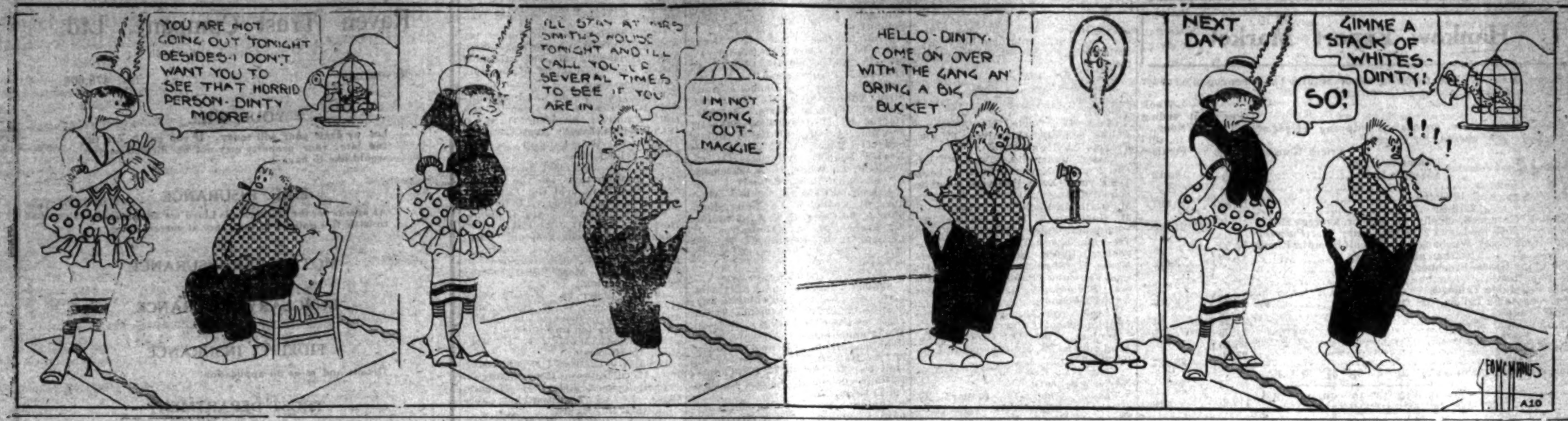
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Love, Home and Table Topics By Clever Writers — **Daily Home Magazine Page** — *A Good Page to Read in the Leisure Hour*

Toronto Girl Tells Real Story of Mary Pickford's Toronto Days

Editor, THE CHINA PRESS

Dear Sir.—Now that Shanghai cinema goers have had an opportunity of seeing Mary Pickford at her best in "Rags" and are to see her in other photo-plays, the enclosed account of her early life and struggle to fame and fortune may be of interest. This article was written by a Miss Shipp of Toronto (Canada), who is a personal friend of the famous cinema star and the writer. It first appeared in the Toronto Star. Yours truly,

A. D. KAY.

Shanghai, May 21, 1917.

By Vera Shipp

So much has already been written about Mary Pickford that it is a very difficult task to avoid repetition. Therefore some of this narrative will be familar to many people, but much of it, I am sure, has never been printed before.

Mary's name was Gladys Smith. She was born on the 8th of April, 23 years ago, at 211 University Avenue. Her father, John C. Smith, ran a buffet on a lake boat. Her mother was, before her marrage, a Miss Charlotte Hennessy and quite well-known in Toronto for her beauty and for cleverness with her needle.

The Smiths lived on St. Vincent street for a while, where I believe Lotta was born. Then they moved to 81 Walton street, which was the birthplace of Jack, the youngest member of the famous Pickfords. The last-named place is but a shack now, but in those days it was a nice little cottage and was surrounded by (now the ward) a respectable, clean and pretty residential district. The Smith cottage had a picket fence in front, enclosing two lilac trees, one on either side of the path. The place was always kept clean and tidy, and though small, was homelike and comfortable. They were not well to do, but what they lacked in money they had twice over in love and happiness and beautiful children.

The next home was at 17 Walton Street, where Mr. Smith died, and then for a while they live on Queen Street. Each summer they spent at Lewiston, so Mr. Smith could spend Sunday with them.

The Smiths were tenants of ours and friends. When little Jack was born my mother wrapped him in a blanket and took him to be weighed. And we children played together. I much preferred to go for a ride with Jack in his baby carriage than to ride in state in my own.

When Mr. Smith died, Mrs. Smith, with three small children and no means, pluckily set to work to make a home for them. Mary was a sweet little child—skin like wax, long golden curls, beautiful big hazel eyes, and the same sad little expression that brings tears unbidden to our eyes when we see her now on the screen. Her first part on the stage was Little Eva, and a wistful little girl she played! Her mother taught her lines by repeating them over and over to her, for Mary was an apt pupil and didn't require long to make her letter perfect. However, after a short run the truant officer objected; Mary went back to school and Mrs. Smith supported the family by sewing and fancy needlework. Mary says that she used to like to sit on the upturned box cover of her mother's machine and watch her mother sew, and plan what she would do for mother when she was a "big girl." I think even Mary's wildest dreams have come true, for her longed for "house with twenty rooms," while not a reality, is with her income an easily obtained possession.

When an opportunity offered itself Mrs. Smith and the children all went on the stage and left the city with Chauncey Olcott. The subsequent career of Mary Pickford is well known. It is simply a story of a mother's love and work for her children, and their rise step by step to fame and fortune. The way was often rough and hard; sometimes the wolf was at the door, but the little family persevered and won. After Mary's long run as Betty Warren in "The Warrens of Virginia," she was without a position, and it is both sad and amusing to hear her tell of the day she applied for a position with her first moving picture concern. She had to get the position or else walk many miles home, as she hadn't any money for car fare. She got a place as an extra and received her salary then—a ten-dollar bill—which was sweeter to her that day than many a thousand now.

The Pickfords, each one of them, owe a wonderful lot to their dear sweet-faced little mother. To know Mrs. Pickford is to love her—just a frank, motherly lady like her daughters and her son, unspoiled simplicity itself.

And Mary also owes her life to her mother. When Mary was small she had black diphtheria. The doctor left the house, saying he could do no more for the child, Mary began to choke, and Mrs. Pickford in desperation thrust her hand down the child's throat and tore out a mass of matter and blood. Mary was instantly relieved by this daring act of her mother's and she was soon better again.

Mary was just the opposite of her sister. She was fair and slender and quiet. Lotta was dark and stout, and a regular tomboy. Mary was always in white, a sweet, dainty little fairy, and Lotta, well she wore big checked "Mother Hubbard" dresses, and I guess it was a task to keep her tidy. When they came to visit us Lotta would sit and play with the baby (me), while Mary would watch us both with a motherly eye from her dignified place on a chair with her small white hands clasped in her lap. She was a little queen always.

When I read of Lotta's daring deeds on the screen I recall a deed of long ago that almost brought her a different kind of applause. The corner grocer man had a large keg of oysters outside his store. They were just fresh in, and so the keg was full. Well, Lotta dumped it, keg and all, and what a mess, oysters spread all over the dirty wooden sidewalk. When the grocer came out, red with anger, Lotta was half a block away, and still going as fast as her sturdy young legs would carry her. And she didn't venture within sight of that grocer for many a day.

One reads much that is not true in magazines and articles about the Pickfords. Little Mary is not "stuck up," she is just the same simple child she has always been. Her eyes are not "blue as the skies" or "dusky brown," but a hazel color. Her hair is naturally curly and is all her own, and is not colored or dyed. And she hasn't forgotten the past. Why, even after years of absence, of complete separation, she remembered all our names when we met again, and her first question was: "Do you remember the night we all "swiped" a watermelon from ——'s pantry and ate it?"

I could write pages about Mary, but knowing her personally as we do, there is much that might hold only interest for those concerned. To know her career simply read almost any picture magazine. The little things I have written are one and all of the past, of the present Mary Pickford there is much more to relate. Some time, perhaps, very soon, I may tell of viewing her own pictures with her, of her life down in Los Angeles, of conversations with her and many other famous stars, of her dresses and parties, and particularly of one motor ride in a very crowded car when necessity demanded that Mary and I be nursed to make room, and my nurse was Jack Warren Kerrigan.

When I think of the Pickfords I always think of their view of life, each one of them, Mary, Lotta and Jack, live and work, not for themselves, but for their mother. "For another." What a motto to have! As a family they lack selfishness. They are bound together by a strong chain of love for each other, and for their mother.

What Do You Make Of It?

"'Human nature is really an extraordinary business,' the vicar soliloquised over his cold chop. 'Now there's Tibbs and Polglase—young Polglase, of course. I have it from a witness that, when they were both wounded in the same scrap, Tibbs refused to be carried off the field until they could take his pal with him.

"'It was the stretcher-bearer who told me—half-an-hour afterwards, so he had no time to embellish—and he said Tibbs's language was the most bloodcurdling thing he'd heard. And now'—the vicar pointed his fork at Earnshaw as though to prod his attention—'now, just because Polglase's mongrel has eaten Tibbs's chicken and Polglase won't own to it, they're not on speaking terms.

"'It would be bad enough at any time, but now it's heart-breaking. They both have angelic voices, and I'd counted on them for a duet at the 'chantong,' as they call it. In fact, I've had a dreadful time of it with them both.

"'Then there's Eastman. Stood up to his neck in water for five days and came out smiling. Now his roof leaks, and you'd think he was going to die of ten separate diseases in a week. What do you make of it, Keith?'"

—Told by Mrs. Wylie's story, "The Shining Heights" (Mills & Boon).

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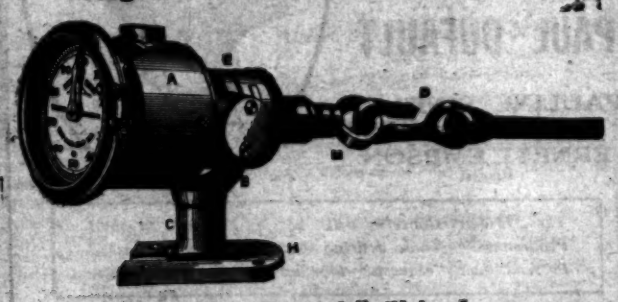

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Hankow Export Market

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The prices quoted are for the net shipping weight excluding cost of packing for export.	Prices Nominal	Per picul ending May, 15th, 1917 Piculs	Week Friday, Tls. Piculs
Cowhides, Best selected	Summer Hair	52.50	7,112
	Winter Hair	42.50	
,, Seconds		23.25	
Buffalo hides, No.1 10-60 lbs		18.50	807
,, ,, 2 10-60 ,,			
Goatskins, Untanned, chiefly white color, average 2lbs. 50% short, 30% med. and 20% long hair; ....(*Pieces*)		—	64,045
White China Grass, Wuchang &-or Poochi (Hemp or Ramie		12.50	
,, Sinshan and-or Chayu ,, ,,		11.50	3,012
Green China Grass, Szechuen		—	
Jute (Abutilon)		—	
White Vegetable Tallow 51° titre		13.35	
Green Vegetable Tallow, 52° titre		13.10	6,106
Animal Tallow		13.25	14
Gallnuts, Usual shape		21.75	
,, Plum ,,		25.40	1,780
Cotton Lihoo		27.00	
,, Shansi		28.00	25,937
Black Bristles, Riflings	2½" 2¾" 3" 3½" 3¾" 3¾" 4"		
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	4½" 4½" 4¾" 5" 5½" 5½" 5¾" 6"	112.25	713
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Sesamum Seed, White			
,, Yellow			
,, ,, Red		6.30	230
,, ,, Black			
Yellow Beans		2.50	
*Broad Beans		2.00	38,886
Sesamum Seed Oil		—	220
Groundnuts (with shells)		—	—
,, (shelled)		—	2,827
Groundnut Oil		—	—
Wood Oil		11.20	20,296
Tea Oil		14.50	32
Bean Oil		10.95	210
RapeOil		—	—

*Quantities include Beans of all kinds.

Exchange and Bullion

Shanghai, May 22, 1917.

Money and Bullion

	Tls.
Gold Dollars Bank's buying rate G.$1.00 @ 86=Tls. 1.16 @ 72.9=Mex. $1.59	
Mex. Dollars. Market rate	72.6625
S'hai Gold Bars: 978 touch	—
Bar Silver	—
Copper Cash	1791
Sovereigns:	
Buying rate @ 3/6½=Tls.	5.64
Exch. @ 72.9=Mex. $	7.74
Peking Bar	295
Native Interest	.03

Latest London Quotations

Bar Silver	38d.
Bank Rate of Discount	5%
Market rate of discount:—	
3 m-s.	%
4 m-s.	%
6 m-s.	%
Exchange on Shanghai, 60 d-s.	
Ex., Paris on London	Fr. 27.16
Ex., N. Y. on London T.T.	$4.76½
Consols	£ —

Exchange Closing Quotations

London	T.T.	3-6¾
London	Demand	3-6⅞
India (nominal)	T.T.	262½
Paris	T.T.	484
Paris	Demand	484½
New York	T.T.	84¾
New York	Demand	84⅞
Hongkong	T.T.	67⅜
Japan	T.T.	60⅜
Batavia	T.T.	204¾

Bank's Buying Rates

London	4 m-s. Cdts.	3-8⅛
London	4 m-s. Docy.	3-8⅛
London	6 m-s. Cdts.	3-8⅛
London	6 m-s. Docy.	3-8⅛
Paris	4 m-s.	499½
New York	4 m-s.	87⅞

The following are the Customs Rates of Exchange to the end of May:—

£1	= Hk. Tls.	5.03
Hk. Tls. 1	= Francs	5.40
,, 1	= Marks	4.41 (nom.)
Gold $ 1	= Hk. Tls.	1.06
Hk. Tls. 1	= Yen	1.35
,, ,, 1	= Rupees	2.98
,, ,, 1	= Roubles	3.29
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Stock Exchange
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TODAY'S QUOTATIONS
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Official
S. M. C. 6% Debs 1912 Tls. 91.50
Shanghai Cotton Tls. 122.00
Shanghai Docks Tls. 94.00
Oriental Cotton Tls. 34.00
Anglo-Javas Tls. 10.45
Almas Tls. 11.50
Ayer Tawan Tls. 38.00
Java Consolidated Tls. 22.50
Kroewoeks Tls. 19.75
Senawangs Tls. 14.50
Shanghai Pahangs Tls. 1.80
Permatas Tls. 3.85
Direct
Trams "B" Tls. 73.50
Taipings Tls. 2.00
Kota Bahroes Tls. 9.70
Padangs Tls. 15.00

Sharebrokers' Association
Transactions

BUSINESS DONE
Shanghai, May 22, 1917.
Official
Anglo-Java Tls. 10.50 cash
Chengs Tls. 3.25 cash
Pahangs Tls. 1.80 cash
Direct
Chemors Tls. 1.40 cash
Ziangbes Tls. 6.10 cash
Sungei Duris Tls. 11.25 cash
Kotas Tls. 9.70 cash
Shanghai Docks Tls. 95.00 cash

London Rubber Market

Reuter's Service

London, May 21.—Following are today's rubber market prices:—
Plantation First Latex Crepe:—
Spot 3s. 0⅝d. Paid.
July to December 3s. 1d. Value.
Tendency of Market Firm.
Last quotation, London, May 19.
Spot 3s. 0½d. Paid.
July to December 3s. 0½d. Buyers.
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COTTON MARKET

Reuter's Service

London, May 21.—Following are today's cotton prices:—
Mid-American Spot 13.44d.
May June 12.87d.
October November 12.81d.

LANGKAT DAILY OUTPUT

The following telegraphic information has been received by the general agent from the Sumatra director and manager of the Maatschappij tot Mijn-Bosch-en Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat:

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Seniors.—Class II.: Souza, A. M., Thompson, J. (St. Francis Xavier's School).

Class III.: Davie, R. (Shanghai Public School); Gonsalves, F. (St. Francis Xavier's School).

Passed under 19.—Becke, T. J. (St. Francis Xavier School); Chang Tsing-yung, Dzen Pah-yuen (Public School, Chinese); Elias, E. L., Ezra, M. (Cathedral School); Ferguson, J. M., Goldman, A. P., Haimovitch, H. (Shanghai Public School); Kiang Tse-sung, Kwoh Tak-wah, Loh Siu-yoong (Public School, Chinese); Moses, L. (Shanghai Public School); Pan Van-sung (Public School, Chinese); Sequeria, A. M. C. (St. Francis Xavier's School).

Passed over 19.—Fan Sung-kan (Public School, Chinese).

Juniors.—Class II.: Green, F. G., MacLennan, W. M. (Shanghai Public School).

Class III.: Reyes, J. (St. Francis Xavier's School).

Passed under 16.—Bichard, G. (Cathedral School); da Costa, P. A., Dixon, F. W., de Figueiredo, C. A. (St. Francis Xavier's School); Madar, C. (Shanghai Public School); McLachlan, J. J. (St. Francis Xavier School); Marshall, G. E., Nash, H. H. (Shanghai Public School); Petterson, F. O. (St. Francis Xavier School); Tipping, R. J. (Cathedral School); Whitgob, Harry (Shanghai Jewish School); de la Vega, D. (St. Francis Xavier School); Walker, J. (Cathedral School);.

Passed over 16.—Minny, E. (Shanghai Public School); O'Keeffe, P. J. (St. Francis Xavier School); Nissim, N. F., Ollerdessen, F. C. H. (Shanghai Public School); Roche, R. W. (St. Francis Xavier School); Whitgob, Henry (Shanghai Public School).

Preliminaries.—Class I.: Motabhoy, A. T. Class II.: Madar, P., Moosa, M. Class III.: Soyka, C. (Shanghai Public School).

Passed under 14.—Alonco, P. A. da Silva, Gutterres, D. M., Guttierrez, F. (St. Francis Xavier School); Harris, H. E. (Cathedral School); Jenssen, A. M. (Shanghai Public School); Meyer, A. L. (St. Francis Xavier School); Viloudaki, R. G., Weill, F. L., White, H. A., Zelensky, L. (Shanghai Public School).

Passed between 14 and 16.—Aldeguer, T., Cooke, R. J., Chung Shun-bun, J., da Costa, E. T. A., d'Aquino, L., Ferras, M. A., Gonsalves, J., Legaspi, B. W., Pereira, C., Thompson, A., Yu, M. (St Francis Xavier School).

GIRLS.

Seniors.—Passed under 19: Allemao, H. M. (St. Joseph's Inst.); d'Almeida, F. M., d'Almeida, H. M. (Inst. of the Holy Family); Bojeson, M. (Public School); Davey, M. A. (Thomas Hanbury School); Lowry, M. A., Martins, M. H. (Inst. of the Holy Family); Smith, K. H. (Thomas Hanbury School); Souza, L. M. S. (St. Joseph's Inst.).

Juniors.—Passed under 16.: Abraham, R. (Jewish School); Barrie, W. A. (Private tuition); Dawson, B. N. (Shanghai High School); Seyer, A. M. (Inst. of the Holy Family); Whitgob, B. (Jewish School).

Passed over 16.—Leitao, S. M. (St. Joseph's Inst.); Levis, E. (Public School); Mancell, M. D. (Shanghai High School); Moosa, H., Moosa, R. (St. Joseph's Inst.); Pearson, W. M. (Public School); de Souza, A. M. (St. Joseph's Inst.); Whynne, D. (Public School).

Preliminaries.—Passed under 14: Abeles, R. (Inst. of the Holy Family); Tippin, F. M. (St. Joseph's Inst.); Vlasova, A. (Inst. of the Holy Family).

Passed between 14 and 16: Johnson, M., Sales, A. M. (Inst. of the Holy Family); Siemsen, D. M. J. (St. Joseph's Inst.); Wei Goon-sik (Inst. of the Holy Family).

Public School List

The Cambridge local list resulting from examination in the Public School for Boys held last December was given out yesterday. It follows:

Seniors, under 19 years of age:—Honors, Class III.—R. Davie, distinguished in Book-keeping. Passed: J. M. Ferguson, A. P. Goldman, H. Haimovitch, distinguished in Shorthand; L. Moses, distinguished in Book-keeping.

Juniors, under 16.—Honors, Class II.—F. G. Green, W. M. MacLennan, distinguished in Science, distinguished in Mensuration and Surveying.

Passed:—C. Madar, G. E. Marshall, H. H. Nash.

Over 16:—E. Minny, N. F. Nissim, F. C. H. Ollerdessen, Henry Whitgob.

Preliminaries, under 14:—Honors, Class I.—A. T. Motabhoy, distinguished in Algebra.

Honors, Class II.—P. Madar, distinguished in Algebra; M. Moosa, distinguished in Algebra, distinguished in Geometry.

Honors, Class III.—C. Soyka, distinguished in Algebra, distinguished in Geometry. Passed:—A. M. Jenssen, R. G. Viloudaki, F. L. Weill, H. A. White, L. Zellensky.

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Capital	£2,000,000
Reserve Fund	1,000,000
Reserve Liability of Shareholders	1,200,000

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Canton	Kuala-Lumpur	Shanghai
Cebu	Madras	Sourabaya
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Drafts granted on the above Agencies and Branches and also on the principal Commercial Cities throughout the world. Bills of Exchange bought and received for Collection. Travelling Letters of Credit issued and every description of Banking and Exchange business undertaken.

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W. B. SUTHERLAND,
Manager.

BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE

Capital	Frs. 48,000,000.00
Reserves	Frs. 48,000,000.00

Succursales et Agences:

Bangkok	Hanoi	Saigon
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Canton	Mengtze	Singapore
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Dondichery	Peking	Tourane
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In France: Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris; Credit Lyonnais; Banque de Pari et des Pays-Bas; Credit Industriel et Commercial; Societe Generale.
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This Shanghai Agency undertakes all banking operations and exchange business, grants credits on goods and approved securities and receives deposits on current and fixed deposits according to arrangement.

L. ARDAIN,
Manager.

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Filiale de la Societe Generale de Belgique
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Paid-up Capital ....Frs. 30,000,000

Head Office: BRUSSELS.
London office: 2 Bishopsgate.
Branches at Peking, Tientsin, Alexandria, Cairo (Egypt), and Rotterdam

President:
JEAN JADOT
Governor Societe Generale de Belgique.

Bankers:
London: Martin's Bank, Ltd.
Brussels: Societe Generale de Belgique.
Antwerp: Banque d'Anvers.
Paris: Banque de l'Union Parisienne, Societe Anonyme.
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New York: National City Bank of New York.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts Taels and fixed deposits according to arrangements.

Every description of banking and exchange business transacted.

M. DEMETS,
Manager for China.

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation

Paid-up Capital	$15,000,000
Reserve Funds:—	
Sterling, £1,500,000 @ 2s.	$15,000,000
Silver	18,500,000
	$33,500,000
Reserve liability of Proprietors	$15,000,000

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London Bankers:
London County and Westminster Bank, Ltd.

Shanghai Branch: 12, The Bund.
Sub-Agency: 9 Broadway.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and on Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Local Bills Discounted.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, Africa, China, Japan and America.

A. G. STEPHEN.
Manager.

Russo-Asiatic Bank

	Roubles.
Capital (fully-paid)	55,000,000
Reserve Fund	24,600,000
	Kpg. Tls.
Capital Contributed by the Chinese Government	3,500,000
Reserve Fund	1,743,000

Head office: PETROGRAD.
Paris Office: 9, Rue Boudreau.
London Office: 64, Old Broad St. E. C.

Bankers:
London: Messrs. Glyn, Mills, Currie & Co.
Paris: Societe General pour favoriser le Development de Commerce et de l'Industrie en France, Banque de Paris et des Pays-Bas.
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(Kwan chendse)	Hongkong	Tsingtau
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Dalny	Nicolayowsk	Yokohama
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The Shanghai Commercial and Savings Bank, Ltd.

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Paid-Up Capital	$ 300,000.00
Reserves	$ 10,000.00
Deposits (Dec. 31, 1916)	$1,400,000.0

Correspondents at principal cities in China, and domestic exchange a speciality.

Credits granted on approved securities. Bills discounted.

Current account in both taels and dollars with interest, may be opened on application.

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K. P. CHEN,
General Manager.

The Bank of China

(Specially authorised by Presidential Mandate of 15th April, 1915)

Authorised Capital	$60,000,000
Paid-up Capital	$10,000,000

Head Office: Peking.
Branches and Agencies:
Peking, Tientsin, Newchang, Mukden, Changchun, Harbin, Dairen, Tsinan, Tsingtau, Kaifung, Hankow Ichang, Shanshi, Wuhu, Yangchow, Chinkiang, Nanking, Shanghai, Hangchow, Ningpo, Foochow, Canton, Nanchang, Taiyuen, etc., etc.

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Loans granted on approved securities. Local bills discounted. Interests allowed on Current Deposit Account in Taels at the rate of 2 per cent per annum and on Fixed Deposits at the following rates:

For 3 months at the rate of 3 per cent per annum.
For 6 months at the rate of 4 per cent per annum.
For 12 months at the rate of 5 per cent per annum.

SUNG HAN-CHANG.
Manager.

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation

Saving Bank Office:
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Deposits of not less than $1, or over $100, will be received at one time.

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Office Hours—10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Banque Industrielle de Chine

Capital	Francs 45,000,000
One-third of the Capital, i. e. Frs. 15,000,000, subscribed by	
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CHINESE REPUBLIC	

Statutes approved by the Government of the Chinese Republic on January 11, 1913.

President, Andre Berthelot.
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Head Office
74, Rue St. Lazare, Paris.

Branches in Peking, Tientsin and Shanghai

BANKERS:
In France: Societe Generale pour le Development du Commerce et du l'Industrie en France.
In London: London, County and Westminster Bank, Ltd.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

G. LION,
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1, French Bund, Shanghai.

Yokohama Specie Bank, Limited

(*Established* 1880.)

Head Office: YOKOHAMA, JAPAN.

Capital Subscribed	Yen 48,000,000
Capital Paid-up	„ 30,000,000
Reserve Fund	„ 20,800,000

London Bankers:
Union of London & Smith's Bank, The London Joint Stock Bank, Parr's Bank, Ltd.

Branches and Agencies

Antunghsin	London	Port Arthu
Bombay	Liaoyang	S. Francisco
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Dalny	Mukden	Sinanfu
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SHANGHAI BRANCH

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits in Taels and Dollars, according to arrangement.

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K. KODAMA, Manager.

International Banking Corporation

Capital & Surplus	U.S.$6,500,000.00
Undivided Profits	1,010,000.00
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Cebu	Manila	San Pedro de,
Colon	Medellin	Macoris
(Cristobal C.Z.)		Shanghai
Hankow	Panama	Singapore
		Tientsin
		Yokohama

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Established 1824.

Paid-up Capital: Guilds	60,000,000 (about £5,000,000
Reserve Fund— Guilds	9,935,431 (about £827,120)

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Bandoeng	Palembang	Tandjong Balei
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Dejamber	Penang	Tegal
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Hongkong	Rangoon	Tjilatjap
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Current accounts kept in taels and dollars.

Shanghai Interest allowed on current tael accounts and fixed deposits, according to arrangement.

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Manager.

Commercial Bank of China

Head office: SHANGHAI

Subscribed Capital	Sh. Tls. 5,000,000
Paid-up Capital	Sh. Tls. 2,500,000

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Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent per annum on daily balance. On Fixed deposits:

For 3 months at 3% per annum.
For 6 months at 4% per annum.
For 12 months at 5% per annum.

On Deposits in Dollars according to arrangement.

H. C. MARSHALL,
Chief Manager.

The Bank of Canton, Limited.

Incorporated 1912.

Authorised Capital	H.$2,000,000
Subscribed and paid up Capital	H.$1,271,500
Reserve Fund	H.$ 120,000
Investment reserve fund	H.$ 20,000

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No. 6 Des Voeux Road, Hongkong.

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Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

C. C. WONG,
Act. Manager.

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Authorised Capital	£1,500,000
Subscribed Capital	1,125,000
Paid-up Capital	562,500
Reserve Fund	600,000

Head Office, 15 Gracechurch Street London, E. C.

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	Singapore,	

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C. T. BEATH,
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7 Nanking Road. 9752

BANK OF COMMUNICATIONS

Specially authorised by Presidential Mandates of April 7, 1914 and October 31, 1915.

Paid up Capital: Kuping Taels 10,000,000

Head Office: Peking.
50 Branches and Agencies at principal commercial places in China.
SHANGHAI BRANCH

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and on Fixed Deposits in Taels and Dollars according to arrangements.

Credit granted on Approved Securities and Every Description of Banking and Exchange Business transacted.

CHAO CHING HUA,
Manager.

SUMITOMO BANK, LIMITED

SHANGHAI BRANCH
1 Kiukiang Road

Capital (Paid-up)	Yen 15,000,000
Reserves	Yen 1,470,000
Deposits	Yen 120,000,000

President, Baron K. SUMITOMO

Head Office: OSAKA.

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S. KASAHARA,
Manager.
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Tel. No. 4663 (Compradore Office).

中 孚 銀 行
Chung Foo Union Bank

Statutes approved by the Government in 1916
Head Office: Tientsin

Capital	$2,000,000.00
Paid up Capital	$1,000,000.00
Managing Director:	SUN TAO SAN

Branches and Agencies:

Peking	Tientsin
Shanghai	Hankow
Nanking	Pengpu
Hauchow	Chinkiang
Yangchow	Hangchow
Ningpo	Shaohsing

Shanghai Branch
441, Ningpo Road

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.

Credits granted on approved securities.

Y. R. SUN,
Manager.
T. D. KAR,
Sub-manager.

BENJAMIN AND POTTS SHARE LIST

Yesterday's Prices

STOCK	Quotations Closing
Banks	
E. K. and S. B.	$660
Chartered	£59 10s.
Russo-Asiatic	R. 250
Yathay, ordy	Tls. 6.05 B.
Yathay, pref	Tls. 5.15.
Marine Insurances	
Canton	Tls. 350.
North China	Tls. 140.
Union of Canton	$660 B.
Yangtsze	$200 Sa.
Fire Insurances	
China Fire	$146 B.
Hongkong Fire	Tls. 325 B.
Shipping	
Indo-China Pref	Tls. 123.
Indo-China Def	
"Shell"	107/-
Shanghai Tug (o)	Tls. 16.
Shanghai Tug (f)	Tls. 46½.
Kochien	Tls. 26 B.
Mining	
Kaiping	Tls. 9 B.
Oriental Cons	27/6.
Philippine	Tls. 0.80.
Raub	$2.70.
Docks	
Hongkong Dock	$123.
Shanghai Dock	Tls. 94 Sa.
New Eng. Works	Tls. 12¼ B.
Wharves	
Shanghai Wharf	Tls. 70 B.
Hongkong Wharf	Tls. 80 S.
Land and Hotels	
Anglo-French Land	Tls. 83½ B.
China Land	Tls. 50.
Shanghai Land	Tls. 80
Weihaiwei Land	Tls. 3.
Shanghai Hotels Ltd.	$8½ B
China Realty (ord)	Tls. 8a.
China Realty (pref.)	Tls. 60
Cotton Mills	
E-wo	Tls. 150 B.
E-wo Pref	Tls. 100.
International	Tls. 89 B.
International Pref	Tls. 85
Laou-kung-mow	Tls. 65 B.
Oriental	Tls. 34 Sa.
Shanghai Cotton	Tls. 122 Sa.
Sung Yik	Tls. 14½ B.
Yangtszepoo	Tls. 5¾.
Yangtszepoo Pref	Tls. 95.
Industrials	
Butler Tile	Tls. 22
China Sugar	$113 S.
Green Island	Tls. 8 B.
Langkats	Tls. 17 B.
Major Bros.	Tls. 5.
Shanghai Sumatra	Tls. 137½ B.
Stores	
Hall and Holtz	$16½ B.
Llewellyn	$60.
Lane, Crawford	$92 x.d. B.
Moutrie	$35.
Watson	$6.35 B.
Weeks	$17 B.
Rubbers (Local)	
Alma	Tls. 11½ Sa.
Amherst	Tls. 1.05 S.
Anglo-Java	Tls. 10.45 Sa.
Anglo-Dutch	Tls. 5¾.
Ayer Tawah	Tls. 38 Sa.
Batu Anam 1918	Tls. 1.30.
Bukit Toh Alang	Tls. 4½ B.
Bute	Tls. 1.20 B.
Chemor United	Tls. 1.35 B.
Chempedak	Tls. 12 B.
Cheng	Tls. 3.20.
Consolidated	Tls. 3.05 B.
Dominion	Tls. 11.35.
Gula Kalumpong	Tls. 7.90 B.
Java Consolidated	Tls. 22½ Sa.
Kamunting	Tls. 6.65 B.
Kapala	Tls. 0.90 B.
Kapayang	Tls. 28 B.
Karan	Tls. 13¾ B.
Kota Bahroes	Tls. 9.70 B.
Kroewoek Java	Tls. 19¾ Sa.
Padang	Tls. 15 B.
Pengkalan Durian	Tls. 10.60 B.
Permata	Tls. 3.85 Sa.
Repah	Tls. 1.15 B.
Samagagas	Tls. 1.05 B.
Seekes	Tls. 7½ B.
Semambu	Tls. 1¼ B.
Senawang	Tls. 14½ Sa.
Shanghai Klebang	Tls. 0.97½.
Shanghai Malay	Tls. 7 B.
Shai Malay-pref	Tls. 12 B.
Shanghai Pahang	Tls. 1.80 B.
Sungala	Tls. 1.65 B.
Sungei Duri	Tls. 11½.
Sua Manggis	Tls. 7.
Thai Kalantan	Tls. 1.
Shanghai Seremban	Tls. 0.85 B.
Taiping	Tls. 2 Sa.
Tanah Merah	Tls. 1.15 B.
Tebong	Tls. 24 B.
Tlobri	Tls. 2½.
Tiangbe	Tls. 6 B.
Miscellaneous	
B. I. and E. Lumber	Tls. 110.
Fulty Dairy	Tls. 10 S.
Thai Elec. and Asb	$2.
Shanghai Trams	Tls. 73½ Sa.
Shanghai Gas	Tls. 24 B.
Horse Bazaar	30
Shanghai Mercury	Tls. 30.
Thai Telephone	Tls. 84½.
Thai Waterworks	Tls. 240 B.

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Vessels To Arrive

From London
Atsuta Maru ..... June 26
Suwa Maru ..... June 13
From San Francisco, etc.
China ..... June 12
Ecuador ..... June 2
Nippon Maru ..... June 2
Shinyo Maru ..... June 2
Tenyo Maru ..... May 26
From Tacoma
Chiengo Maru ..... May 23
Manila Maru ..... May 27
From Seattle
Awa Maru ..... May 23
Shidzuoka Maru ..... June 6
From New York
Hazel Dollar ..... May 23

Shipping Items

The C.N. s.s. Yingchow left Hongkong for Shanghai on Sunday.

The N.K.K. s.s. Nanyang Maru left Hankow for Shanghai on Monday.

The I.-C. s.s. Loongwo left Hankow for Shanghai on Monday.

The C.N. s.s. Tungting left Hankow for Shanghai on Monday.

The C.N. s.s. Chenan left Hongkong for Shanghai yesterday.

The C.M. s.s. Kiangyung left Hankow for Shanghai yesterday.

The C.N. s.s. Poyang left Hankow for Shanghai yesterday.

The I.-C. s.s. Luenho will leave Hankow for Shanghai today.

The N.K.K. s.s. Talee Maru will leave Hankow for Shanghai today.

The K.M.A. s.s. Kenkon Maru (chartered) left Chinwangtao for Shanghai on Sunday.

The N.S. s.s. Ningshao left Hankow for Shanghai yesterday.

The H.O. s.s. Tehhsing will leave Hankow for Shanghai tomorrow.

The C.M. s.s. Poochi left Wenchow for Shanghai on Monday.

The C.M. s.s. Anping left Tientsin for Dalny and Shanghai yesterday.

The C.M. s.s. Hsinming left Tientsin for Chefoo and Shanghai on Sunday.

The I.-C. s.s. Wingsang left Hongkong for Swatow and Shanghai yesterday.

The C.N. s.s. Fengtien is expected to arrive here from Tientsin today.

The I.-C. s.s. Kingsing left Tientsin for Chefoo, Weihawei, Dalny and Shanghai on Sunday.

The N.K.K. s.s. Tachi Maru will leave Hankow for Shanghai tomorrow.

The I.-C. s.s. Suiwo will leave Hankow for Shanghai tomorrow.

The C.N. s.s. Luenyi will leave Hankow for Shanghai tomorrow.

The C.N. s.s. Sinkiang will leave Hongkong for Shanghai tomorrow.

The N.Y.K. Yokohama Shanghai line s.s. Omi Maru, with mails left Nagasaki for Shanghai on Monday, and may be expected to arrive at N.Y.K. wharf today about 6 a.m. She will be despatched for Nagasaki on Saturday, May 26.

The T.K.K. s.s. Tenyo Maru for San Francisco, via Japan ports and Honolulu is appointed to sail from Hongkong on May 25, and may therefore be expected to arrive at Woosung at 5 p.m. on Sunday, May 27. She will be despatched as above on May 28, and the tender conveying passengers an board will leave the Customs jetty at 11 a.m. on the sailing day.

Passengers Arrived

Per C.N. s.s. Tungting from Hankow:—Mr. and Mrs. H. Mann and Mr. W. O. Keats.

Per C.M. s.s. Kiangwah from Hankow:—Miss Dealeness Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Amstrong and child, and Mr. Tungching.

Per C.M. s.s. Kwanglee from Hongkong:—Messrs. Grahama Bushby and Samuel Feeney.

Passengers Departed

Per C.N. s.s. Sunning for Hongkong:—Messrs. Alvarez, B. Damm, Trolle and A. P. Lee. For Canton, Mr. P. L. Han.

Per C.N. s.s. Shengking for Weihaiwei:—Mrs. Sly, Mrs. Szigetvary, Dr. Cooper and Mr. Wood. For Chefoo:—Rev. and Mrs. Lyttle and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. Mereken and child, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Hall and 2 children and Mr. Malcolm. For Tientsin:—Messrs. Bruce and L. Peek.

Per I.-C. s.s. Tuckwo for Hankow:—Messrs. A. Clarke, W. Carter and A. S. de Jesus.

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Future Sailings

FOR AMERICA AND CANADA

Date	Time	Destination	Ship's Name	Flag	Agents
May 18	11.00*	San Francisco	Tenyo maru	Jap.	Alexander
" 19	"	Tacoma & Seattle Wash	Manila maru	Jap.	O. S. K.
June 13	"	Victoria B.C. & Seattle	Kamakura maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 14	"	San Francisco	Nippon maru	Jap.	Alexander
" 20	4.00*	Victoria B.C. & Seattle	Shidzuoka maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 26	"	San Francisco	China	Am	G. J. Pet.

FOR JAPAN PORTS

Date	Time	Destination	Ship's Name	Flag	Agents
May 24	12.30	Kobe and Osaka via Moji	Kasuga maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 25	3.00	Nagasaki	Simbirsk	Rus.	R. V. F.
" 26	4.30*	Nagasaki, Moji & Kobe	Omi maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 29	11.00*	Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Tenyo maru	Jap.	Alexander
" 29	"	Nagasaki, Moji & Kobe	Chikugo maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
June 2	"	Nagasaki, Moji and Kobe	Hakusan maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.

FOR EUROPE, INDIA, STRAITS, ETC.

Date	Time	Destination	Ship's Name	Flag	Agents
June 3	3.30*	Liverpool etc.	Katori maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 12	9.00*	London etc.	Kamo maru	Jap.	N. Y. K.

FOR SOUTHERN PORTS

Date	Time	Destination	Ship's Name	Flag	Agents
May 23	4.00	Ningpo	Hsin Peking	Br.	B. & S.
" 23	4.00	Ningpo	Hsin Ningshao	Chi.	N.S.S.Co.
" 24	5.30	Ningpo	Kiangteen	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 24	1.00	Takao via F'chow & K'lung	Kohoku maru	Jap.	O. S. K.
" 24	A.M.	Amoy, Hongkong & Canton	Shantung	Br.	B. & S.
" 24	2.00	Hongkong	Chicago maru	Jap.	O. S. K.
" 24	A.M.	Hongkong and Canton	Kwanglee	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 24	A.M.	Amoy, Swatow & Foochow	Taishun	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 25	noon	Hongkong	Kamakura maru	Jap.	N.Y.K.
" 27	D.L.	Hongkong & Canton	Yingchow	Br.	B. & S.
" 30	D.L.	Hongkong & Canton	Chenan	Br.	B. & S.

FOR NORTHERN PORTS

Date	Time	Destination	Ship's Name	Flag	Agents
May 23	2.00*	Tsingtao	Sanyo maru	Jap.	S. M. R.
" 23	A.M.	Tientsin direct	Hsinking	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 24	noon	T'ao, N.B.W. C'foo & T'tsin	Koosheing	Br	J. M. & Co
" 25	3.00	Vladivostock	Simbirsk	Rus.	R.V.F.
" 25	5.30	Fusih & Dairy via T'tao	Keeting maru	Jap.	O. S. K.
" 26		Chinwangtao direct	Yodo maru	Jap.	K. M. A.
" 28	6.00*	Weihaiwei, Chefoo & T'tsin	Fengtien	Br.	B. & S.
" 29	8.00	Weihaiwei, Chefoo & T'tsin	Shuntien	Br.	B. & S.
" 29	4.30	Dairy	Sakaki maru	Jap.	S. M. R.
" 29	D.L.	Newchwang	Foochow	Br.	B. & S.

FOR RIVER PORTS

Date	Time	Destination	Ship's Name	Flag	Agents
May 16	M.N.	Hankow etc.	Kiangtoo	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 21	M.N.	do	Wuchang	Br.	B. & S.
" 23	M.N.	do	Siangyang maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 24	M.N.	do	Kiangwah	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 24	M.N.	do	Tatoo maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 25	M.N.	do	Tungting	Br.	B. & S.
" 25	M.N.	do	Chungking	Br.	B. & S.
" 25	M.N.	do	Loongwo	Br.	J.M. & Co.
" 28	M.N.	do	Poyang	Br.	B. & S.
" 28	M.N.	do	Nanyang maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 28	M.N.	do	Talee maru	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 29	M.N.	do	Lueny i	Br.	B. & S.

* A.M. M.N.—Midnight. D.L.—Daylight.

Arrivals

Date	From	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents	Berth
May 21	Ningpo	Kiangteen	2012	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW
" 12	Tientsin	Hsinfung	1290	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW
" 22	Hongkong	Kwanglee	1268	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW
" 22	Hankow	Kiangwah	2101	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW
" 22	Tientsin	Koonshing	3233	Br.	J. M. & Co.	SHW
" 22	Hankow	Siangyang maru	2225	Jap.	N.K.K.	NYKW
" 22	Hankow	Tungting	2036	Br.	B. & S.	CNW
" 22	Hankow	Whasheng	746	Chi.	C.S.S.Co.	
" 22	Swatow	Taishun	1612	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.	KLYW

Departures

Date	For	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents
May 22	Hankow etc.	Changon	1089	Br.	Geddes & Co.
" 23	Newchwang	Paoting	1073	Br.	B. & S.
" 22	Hongkong & Canton	Sunning	1570	Br.	B. & S.
" 22	Chefoo & Tientsin	Shengking	1315	Br.	B. & S.
" 22	Hankow etc.	Tacheng maru	1369	Jap.	N.K.K.
" 23	Hankow etc.	Tatung	1882	Br.	B. & S.
" 23	Hankow etc.	Tuckwo	2770	Br.	J. M. & Co.
" 23	Japan	Yamashiro maru	2236	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 22	Japan	Kamo maru	3524	Jap.	N. Y. K.
" 23	Dairy	Sakaki maru	1546	Jap.	S. M. R.
" 23	Ningpo	Kiangteen	2012	Chi.	C.M.S.N.Co.
" 24	D.L. Swatow	Tamsui		Br.	B. & S.

For Northern Ports

TIENTSIN DIRECT.—The str. Hsinfung, Capt. F. H. Hamblin, will leave on Wednesday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

CHINWANGTAO DIRECT.—The Kailan Mining Administration chartered s.s. Yodo Maru, May 25. For Freight or Passage, apply to Agent, No. 1 Jinkee Road. Tel. No. 319.

TIENTSIN and DAIREN via TSINGTAU.—The str. Keelung Maru, Capt. T. Kamiashi, will be despatched from the Co.'s Pootung wharf on Friday, May 25, at 3 p.m. The steam-launch conveying passengers on board will leave the jetty in front of the Nisshin Kisen Kaisha at 2 p.m., on the same day. For Freight and Passage, please apply to The Osaka Shosen Kaisha, No. 4, The Bund. Tel. No. 4234 and 4047.

WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—The China Navigation Co.'s str. Fengtien, Capt. Harris, will leave from the French Bund on Saturday, May 26 at 10 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield & Swire, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—The China Navigation Co.'s str. Shuntien, Capt. Northcombe, will leave from the French Bund on Tuesday, May 29, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

Launch Services

TOMORROW

The tender conveying passengers to the O.S.K. s.s. Chicago Maru will leave the Customs jetty at 1 p.m.

The launch conveying pasengers to the O.S.K. s.s. Kohoku Maru will leave the Canton Road jetty at noon.

The launch conveying pasengers to the N.K.K. s.s. Tafoo Maru will leave the Canton Road jetty at 11 p.m.

Vessels Loading

For River Ports

HANKOW and PORTS.—The str. Kiangfoo, Capt. A. S. Malcolm, will leave on Wednesday night. For Freight or Passage apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Co.'s str. Siangyang Maru, Captain J. A. Scott, will be despatched from N.Y.K. wharf on Wednesday, May 23, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight and Passage apply to The Nisshin Kisen Kaisha, No. 5 The Bund. Tel. No. 3256.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The China Navigation Co.'s str. Wuchang, Capt. Pickard, will leave on Wednesday, May 23, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents. Tel. No. 77.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The China Navigation Co.'s str. Tungting, Capt. Wavell, will leave from the French Bund on Thursday, May 24, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Co.'s str. Tafoo Maru, Capt. S. Hosokawa, will be despatched from Pootung N.K.K. wharf on Thursday, May 24, at about 12 o'clock midnight. The last steam launch will leave Canton Road jetty at 11 p.m. For Freight and Passage apply to The Nisshin Kisen Kaisha, No. 5 The Bund. Tel. No. 3256.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co.'s str. Loongwo, tons, 3,925 Capt. Findeison, will leave on Friday, May 25, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., General Managers. Tel No. 240.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The China Navigation Co.'s str. Chungking, Capt. E. Monkman, will leave on Friday, May 25, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents. Tel. No. 77.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The China Navigation Co.'s str. Poyang, Captain Carnaghan, will leave from the French Bund on Saturday, May 26, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

HANKOW and PORTS.—The China Navigation Co.'s str. Luenyi, Captain Frazier, will leave from the French Bund on Tuesday, May 29, at about 12 o'clock midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

For Southern Ports

NINGPO.—The China Navigation Co.'s str. Hsin Peking, Capt. A. Scott, R.N.R., will leave from the French Bund on Wednesday, May 23, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents, French Bund. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tls. No. 401.

AMOY, SWATOW and FOOCHOW.—The str. Taishun, Capt. C. Westerland, will leave on Thursday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

HONGKONG and CANTON.—The str. Kwanglee, Capt. A. P. Sangster, will leave on Thursday morning. For Freight or Passage apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

TAKAO (Formosa) via FOOCHOW and KEELUNG.—The str. Kohoku Maru, Capt. K. Saito, will be despatched from the Whangpo Wharf on Thursday, May 24, at 1 p.m. The steam-launch conveying passengers on board will leave the jetty in front of the Nisshin Kisen Kaisha at noon on the same day. For Freight and Passage, please apply to The Osaka Shosen Kaisha, No. 4, The Bund. Tel. No. 4234 and 4047.

AMOY, HONGKONG and CANTON.—The China Navigation Co.'s str. Shantung, Capt. Meathrel, will leave from the French Bund direct for the above ports on Thursday, the 24th inst., at daylight. For Freight or Passage apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

HONGKONG.—The str. Chicago Maru, Capt. T. Saito, will be despatched from the Co.'s Yangtszepoo wharf on Thursday, May 24, at 2 p.m. The steam-launch conveying passengers on board will leave the customs jetty at 1 p.m., on the same day. For Freight or Passage, apply to The Osaka Shosen Kaisha, No. 4, The Bund. Tel. No. 4234 and 4047.

HONGKONG and CANTON.—The China Navigation Co.'s str. Yingchow, Capt. J. Gibbs, will leave from the French Bund direct for the above ports on Sunday, May 27, at daylight. For Freight or Passage apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

HONGKONG and CANTON.—The China Navigation Co.'s str. Chenan, Capt. P. H. Cowan, will leave from the French Bund direct for the above ports on Tuesday, May 29, at daylight. For Freight or Passage apply to Butterfield and Swire, Agents. Freight Tel. No. 77, Passage Tel. No. 401.

For Foreign Ports

SAN FRANCISCO via NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU.—The s.s. Tenyo Maru 22,000 tons Capt. H. S. Smith, will leave on Monday, May 28. The tender conveying passengers and mails will leave the Customs jetty at 11 a.m. For passage apply to Toyo Kisen Kaisha, T. N. Alexander Agent.

TACOMA and SEATTLE, calling at VICTORIA, B.C., via NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, SHIMIDZU and YOKOHAMA.—The str. Manila Maru, Capt. N. Kobayashi, will be despatched from on Monday, May 28, at ——— Through Bills of Lading are granted for American Ports and overland points connecting with the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Co. at Seattle and Tacoma. Consular Invoices must accompany overland shipment. The tender will leave the Customs jetty for conveyance of passengers and mails to the steamer, at ——— on the ———. For Freight or Passage, please apply to The Osaka Shosen Kaisha, No. 4, The Bund. Tel. No. 4234 and 4047.

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P&OBI	Apr. 29	Cruise	Palos	Am g-b.	193	2	43	Delano
BNB	Apr. 13	Cruise	Quiros	Am g-b.	380	4	55	Lewis
7P	Apr. 14	Cruise	Samar	Am g-b.	213	4	33	Brown
BNB	Apr. 14	Cruise	Villalobos	Am g-b.	370	4	55	Partello

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INABA MARU 12,500	Capt. K. Higo,	July 21

SHANGHAI-YOKOHAMA LINE. (Via Nagasaki, Moji and Kobe.)

OMI MARU 7,000	Capt. M. Machida,	May 26
CHIKUGO MARU 5,500	Capt. Y. Yui,	May 29
HAKUAI MARU 5,000	Capt. K. Takano	June 2
YAWATA MARU 7,000	Capt. K. Yasuhara,	June 5
YAMASHIRO MARU ... 7,000	Capt. K. Sudzuki,	June 9

KOBE TO SEATTLE.

TAMBA MARU 12,500	Capt. K. Akamatsu	June 1

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KASUGA MARU 7,000	Capt. K. Yagiu,	May 24
KUMANO MARU 9,500	Capt. K. Yagiu,	May 31

FOR JAPAN.

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Empire Day, Thursday, 24th May, 1917

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News Brevities

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Mr. P. W. Kee, C. M. G., is now in charge of the British Consulate-General in Tientsin as acting Consul-General.

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During the absence of Mr. J. Quin, Mr. William Pratt, just arrived in Shanghai from England, will take over the management of Lever Bros. (China), Ltd.

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Mr. P. C. Elsom will go to Hankow shortly to take over the management of the lubricating oil department of the Standard Oil Company, having been promoted from the Tientsin office.

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Mr. J. J. Peel, of Weihaiwei, an officer attached to the s.s. Protesilaus on special service, died at Yokohama General Hospital May 12 of acute pneumonia. He was 40 years old.

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The new Postal Guide and list of Post Offices—6th issue—containing a directory of all business houses, schools and other institutions besides much additional information, has been received from the Postal Commissioner of China.

RUSSIAN SUCCESSES

Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, May 21.—(By wireless).—A Russian official communique reports:—Our artillery repulsed an attempted attack eastward of Kalncem.

Our fire dispersed an attack eastward of Koverka in the direction of the Bystritza. We repulsed a combined force of Turks and Kurds northward of Bitlis.

TO CALL UP MINERS

Reuter's Agency War Service)

London, May 20.—The Government has decided to recruit the coal-miners medically classified under "A" who have entered the industry since August, 1914, with the exception of engineers and mechanics.

Siccawei Weather Report

21.—The barometers, which had somewhat fallen in Central China have again risen almost everywhere from the North of Chihli to the South of Hunan.

Cloudy but rather fine weather, with some N.W. squalls in the North.

22.—Fog, before sunrise; cloudy, but rather fine weather.

Barometer still rising at Shanghai.

Tuesday, May 22, 1917.

WEATHER.	4 a.m.	9 a.m.
Barometer Centg., mm	761.16	762.23
" " Inches	29.97	30.01
Variation mm. for 24 h	-0.43	-0.00
Variation mm. for 12 h	-0.63	-0.68
Wind { Direction	SSW	SW
Wind { Kilom. per hour	14	20
Wind { Miles	8.7	12.4
Temperature { Cen	14.3	20.7
Temperature { Fahr	57.7	69.3
Humidity 100	90	47
Rebu.-ity 5-10	10	8
Rainfall mm.	—	—
Rainfall inches	—	—

Vessels In Harbor And At Woosung

Arrived	From	Ship's Name	Tons	Flag	Agents	Berth
Nov 14	Hankow	Albenga	1789	Ger.	Carlowitz	US
Aug 4	Hongkong	Bohemia	4282	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	B VII
Aug 5	Hongkong	China	3868	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	9 p
May 5	Hankow	Chengwo	696	Br.	J. M. & Co.	SHW
May 12	Japan	Chikuzen maru	2578	Jap.	N. Y. K	NYKW
Aug 8	Hongkong	D. Rickmers	2651	Ger.	H. D. & Co	USA
Dec 8 '16	Nanking	Fortuna	182	Ger.	H. D. & Co	US
May 13	Hongkong	Peiching	994	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.	KLTW
May 8	Hankow	Hanping	561	Chi.	H. Y. P. I. Co	KMAW
May 16	...	Irene	836	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co.	KLTW
May 16	Hankow	Kiangyu	1490	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co	KLTW
May 22	Hankow	Kiangtoo	1468	Chi.	C.M.S.N. Co	KLTW
May 22	Japan	Kasuga maru	2287	Jap.	N. Y. K.	NYKW
July 16	Hankow	Meidah	1682	Ger.	Meichers	US
July 30	Hankow	Meilee	1682	Ger.	Meicher	US
Mar 13	Ningpo	Meifoo	406	Am.	S. Oil Co	SOCW
May 20	Japan	Pyrrhus	4879	Br.	B. & S.	
July 30	Tsingtao	Sikiang	1840	Ger.	H. A. L.	US
July 30	Yokohama	Wheels	4318	Aus.	Aus. Lloyd	B IX
May 21	Hongkong	Shantung	2807	Br.	B. & S.	CNPW
May 22	Hankow	Tatoo maru	1756	Jap.	N.K.K.	LPDW
May 22	Hankow	Wuchang	1719	Br.	B. & S.	CNPW

CHINESE GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS

TIENTSIN-PUKOW LINE

TIME TABLE

(Published by order of the Administration)

0000 — Midnight, 1330 — 130 p.m.

September 1st, 1916, and until further notice

Mail 101	Mail 3.	Local 1.	Miles	Peking-Mukden Line	Local 2.	Mail 4.	Mail 102.
a. m.	a. m.	a. m.			a. m.	a. m.	a. m.
2055	935	300	0	dep. Peking arr.	2200	1900	1000
2345	1115	545		arr. Tientsin-Central dep.	1908	1700	750
2350	1117	540	84	dep. Tientsin-Central arr.	1903	1658	710
009	1135	530		arr. Tientsin-East dep.	1900	1645	700
1900	1500	2340	524	arr. Mukden dep.	2308		1040

Local 5.	Mail 3.			Tientsin-Pukow Line	Mail 4.	Local 6.
	a. m.				a. m.	
715	1130	—	0	dep. Tientsin-East arr.	1705	1900
735	1140	—	2.71	arr. Tientsin-Central dep.	1645	1941
745	1200	—		dep. Tientsin-Central arr.	1631	1911
1128	1500	—	78	dep. Tsangchow dep.	1322	1530
1427	1746	—	148	dep. Tochow dep.	1043	1138
1801	2031	—	—	arr. Tsianfu dep.	806	845
7.		—	220			8.
800	2051	—	—	dep. Tsianfu arr.	756	1812
1209	2231	—	168	dep. Tsianfu dep.	601	1542
1300	008	—	318	arr. Yenchowfu dep.	349	1311
1318	048	—		dep. Yenchowfu arr.	339	1258
1558	316	—	377	dep. Liucheng dep.	120	1032
1818	430	—	—	arr. Heuchowfu dep.	2358	810
9.		—	420			10.
625	457	—	—	dep. Heuchowfu arr.	2339	2007
1158	822	—	523	arr. Pengpu dep.	1953	1448
1206	840	—		dep. Pengpu arr.	1948	1432
1647	1138	—	600	dep. Chuchow dep.	1648	922
1848	1300	—	631	arr. Pukow dep.	1580	738

Express 16.	Express 10.			Shanghai-Nanking Line	Express 1.	Express 15.
p. m.	p. m.				p. m.	p. m.
...	1430	. .	0	dep. Nanking-Ferry arr.	1410	. .
2300	1620	. .	. .	dep. Nanking arr.	1415	600
700	2130	. .	193	arr. Shanghai-North dep.	705	2300

Yanchowfu-Taianghow Branch Line				Liucheng-Taochuang Branch Line			
940	1200	2130	d. Yanchowfu a.	630	1220	2000	
1000	1440	2220	a. Taianghow d.	538	1138	1850	
530	1110	1900	d. Liucheng a.	810	1410	2100	
620	1210	1900	a. Taochuang d.	708	1308	1950	

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By Order.

THE TRAFFIC MANAGER

Tientsin, September, 1916.

SHANGHAI-NANKING RAILWAY ABRIDGED TIME TABLE.

Shanghai North To Nanking and Peking—Up (Main Line) Peking and Nanking To Shanghai North—Down

STATIONS.	Express R	Local	Slow	Coolie Goods	Fast R	Local	Night Express R.S.
SHANGHAI NORTH dep.	7.55	..	8.20	8.05	12.37	16.20	22.00
SOOCHOW ..... dep.	8.41	..	11.09	12.18	14.57	18.13	1.08
WUSIH ..... dep.	9.31	..	12.21	13.43	16.02	19.41	2.10
CHANGCHOW ..... dep.	11.22	6.50	13.42	15.01	16.47	20.45	3.10
TANYANG ..... dep.	12.09	8.03	14.59	16.14	17.43	..	..
CHINKIANG ..... dep.	12.57	8.59	15.57	17.18	18.32	..	5.06
NANKING ..... arr.	14.15	10.58	17.50	19.28	20.05	..	6.50
NANKING FERRY .. arr.	14.10	..	..	..	..	..	..
PUKOW ..... dep.	5.15.20	T.P.E	..	..	..	..	..
TSINANFU ..... dep.	9.00	Local	..	..	..	..	..
TIENTSIN { ..... arr.	16.30	Day	..	..	..	..	..
CENTRAL { ..... dep.	17.00	..	..	..	..	..	..
PEKING ..... arr.	*19.50	P.E.K.	..	..	..	..	..

STATIONS.	Local	Slow	Coolie Goods	Fast R	Express R.	Night Express R.S.
PEKING ..... dep.	..	..	..	..	8.35	P.E.K.
TIENTSIN ..... arr.	..	..	..	..	11.10	..
CENTRAL ..... dep.	..	..	..	..	11.40	..
TSINANFU ..... dep.	..	..	..	..	0.31	..
PUKOW ..... arr.	..	..	..	..	12.00	..
NANKING FERRY dep.	..	..	..	..	14.20	..
NANKING ..... dep.	..	7.00	7.80	11.15	14.20	18.55
CHINKIANG ..... dep.	..	9.06	9.52	1.56	16.01	18.25
TANYANG ..... dep.	..	9.54	10.35	12.40	16.38	19.19
CHANGCHOW. ..... dep.	6.20	11.14	12.23	14.52	17.24	20.50
WUSIH ..... dep.	7.31	12.22	13.45	15.53	18.31	..
SOOCHOW ..... dep.	8.46	13.50	15.18	16.55	19.55	..
SHANGHAI NORTH arr.	11.25	16.20	17.55	18.55	21.30	..

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Woosung Forts to Shanghai North—Up (Branch Line) Shanghai North to Woosung Forts—Down

WOOSUNG FORTS ..dep.	6.55	8.15	10.45	13.10	14.40	16.20	19.10	19.55	22.10
KIANGWAN dep.	7.22	8.42	11.12	13.37	15.07	16.47	18.37	20.22	22.37
SHANGHAI NORTH .. arr.	7.30	8.50	11.20	13.45	15.15	16.55	18.45	20.30	22.45

SHANGHAI NORTH dep.	6.15	7.32	10.05	12.15	14.00	15.20	17.25	19.10	21.00
KIANGWAN dep.	6.28	7.46	10.16	12.28	14.11	15.41	17.39	19.21	21.13
WOOSUNG FORTS..arr.	6.50	8.10	10 40	12.50	14.35	16.05	18.00	19.45	22.00

SHANGHAI-HANGCHOW-NINGPO RAILWAY ABRIDGED TIME TABLE

SHANGHAI NORTH TO ZAH KOU—"DOWN" MAIN LINE. ZAH KOU TO SHANGHAI NORTH—"UP"

STATIONS	Local	Fast	Slow	Coolie & Goods	Local	Express	Local	Local	Local
Shanghai North ..... dep.	....	7.40	8.55	10.05	....	14.05	....	....	....
Jenfield ..... dep.	....	8.01	9.16	10.26	....	14.25	....	....	....
Siccawei ..... dep.	....	8.10	9.25	10.35	....	14.34	....	....	....
Lunghwa Junction ..... dep.	....	8.28	9.48	11.00	....	14.52	....	....	....
Shanghai South ..... *dep.*	....	*8.00*	*9.20*	*10.30*	*13.35*	*14.30*	*16.10*	*18.45*	*18.00*
Lunghwa Junction ..... *dep.*	....	*8.28*	*9.48*	*11.00*	*13.53*	*14.52*	*16.29*	*17.03*	*18.18*
Sunghiang ..... dep.	....	9.13	10.55	12.10	....	15.28	17.47	....	....
Kashai ..... dep.	....	10.03	11.58	13.33	....	16.15	18.57	....	....
Kaching ..... dep.	7.20	10.35	12.36	14.16	....	16.46	19.30	....	....
Yeh Zah ..... dep.	8.08	11.14	13.20	15.15	....	17.21	....	....	....
Chang Aa ..... dep.	9.00	11.49	14.04	16.10	....	17.55	....	....	....
Hangchow ..... dep.	10.38	12 58	15.26	17.47	....	18.54	....	....	....
Zah Kou ..... arr.	11.00	13.09	15.45	18.15	....	19.10	....	....	....

STATIONS	Local	Local	Local	Fast	Slow	Local	Coolie and Goods	Express	Local
Zah Kou ..... dep.	....	....	....	6.45	8.10	....	8.55	14.15	18.00
Hangchow ..... dep.	....	....	....	7.15	8.40	....	9.33	14 40	16.25
Chang Aa ..... dep.	....	....	....	8.15	9.56	....	11.08	15.26	17.09
Yeh Zah ..... dep.	....	....	....	8.52	10.40	....	12.30	15.57	18.50
Kashing ..... dep.	....	....	....	7.25	9.40	11.30	....	14.07	16.38	19.40
Kashai ..... dep.	....	....	....	8.00	10.05	12.00	....	14 47	17.01	....
Sunghiang ..... dep.	....	....	....	9.18	10.57	13.08	....	16.18	17.49	....
Lunghwa Junction ..... *dep.*	*8.35*	*9.55*	*10.37*	*11.48*	*14.05*	*14.55*	*17.22*	*18.33*	....
Shanghai South ..... *arr.*	*8.53*	*10.13*	*10.52*	*12.05*	*14.23*	*15.15*	*17.40*	*19.50*	....
Lunghwa Junction ..... dep.	....	....	....	11.44	14.07	....	17.22	18.33	....
Siccawei ..... dep.	....	....	....	11.53	14.17	....	17.33	18.43	....
Jenfield ..... dep.	....	....	....	12.01	14.26	....	17.41	18.51	....
Shanghai North ..... arr.	....	....	....	12.20	14.45	....	18.00	19.10	....

KON ZEN CHIAO TO ZAH KOU KIANGSU BRANCH LINE. ZAH KOU TO KON ZEN CHIAO

Kon Zen Chiao .. dep.	7.05	8.30	11.05	14.05	16.05	18.15
Ken Snang Mun. dep.	7.25	8.50	11.20	14.21	16.20	18.29
Hangchow ..... dep.	7.35	9.05	11.35	14.31	16.37	18.37
Zah Kou ..... arr.	....	9.25	11.55	....	17.00	....

Zah Kou ..... dep.	....	9.40	12.20	....	17.15	....
Hangchow ..... dep.	7.45	10.05	12.50	14.55	18.40	19.30
Ken Shang Mun. dep.	8.09	10.30	13.08	15.20	21.03	20.00
Kon Zen Chiao .. arr.	8.13	10.35	13.18	15.25	21.05	20.05

Business and Official Notices

The Shanghai Electric Construction Company, Limited

Notice of Dividend to Holders of Share Warrants to Bearer

NOTICE is hereby given that a final dividend at the rate of six per cent (twelve shillings per share) less income tax at 4s. 6d. in the £, for the year ended 31st December, 1916 (making 10% for the year), has been duly declared upon the share capital of the Company, and will be payable against presentation of Coupon No. 6 (accompanied by the declaration required by H. B. M. Government, forms for which are obtainable at the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation) on and after the twenty-ninth day of May, 1917, in sterling at the Eastern Bank, Limited, 4 Crosby Square, London, E.C., or may be negotiated in local currency at the demand buying rate on London for coupons on date of lodgment at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Shanghai. Coupons must be left with the Bankers two clear days for examination before payment.

L. W. HAWKINS,
Secretary.
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OVERSEAS CLUB

MEMBERS are kindly requested to wear their Badges and to display their Flags tomorrow in celebration of

EMPIRE DAY

By Order of the Committee.

Shanghai, May 23rd, 1917. 13815

St. George's Gardens

(Bubbling Well Road)

Open-Air Cinema

Grand Opening Performance

Friday, May 25th
at 9.15 p.m.

SHANGHAI STOCK EXCHANGE

THE Exchange will be closed at noon on Empire Day, Thursday, 24th inst.

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F. B. WALKER,
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Special Empire Day Dinner and Program

In appropriate celebration of Empire Day, Thursday, May 24, there will be a special dinner, supper and dance at the

Astor House Hotel

Dinner will be served from 7.30, and a hot a la carte supper will be served in the Lounge after the production of "BLIGHTY." At both dinner and supper there will be selected music and in addition there will be dancing in the Lounge after the Theatre.

This affords an opportunity to enjoy a pleasant evening and avoid the worry of planning a dinner at home. The price of the dinner is $2.50. Reservations should be made at once.

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The public are hereby warned against negotiating the said bills, should same appear at any occasion, as cancellation has been declared.

Kao Tai Wo Hong, Tsa Ching.
高太和行冉卿
Shanghai, May 23, 1917.

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT FOR CHINA

IN RE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF ESTHER ROBINS, Deceased.

Cause No. 577
Estate No. 214
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of said Court, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of Esther Robins, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers, on or before the 9th day of November, 1917; and all persons owing debts to said deceased are hereby notified to make payment of the same in due course to said Executrix.

JENNY WEINBERG,
Executrix.
40 Nanzing Road, Shanghai.
Dated, May 9, 1917. 13777

S/S "BESSIE DOLLAR"

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The Robert Dollar Company,
Union Building.
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Extraordinary Notice

A. D. C.

"BLIGHTY"

Acting on the advice of the Medical Authorities, the Matinee advertised for Saturday, 26th May, will not take place. Ticket-holders may exchange their tickets for other dates or have their money refunded on application to Moutrie & Co.,

By Order of Committee,
S. J. DEEKS,
Hon. Secretary.
13888 M 23

A. D. C.

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LOST

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STRAYED, from 53 Yangtszepoo Road, between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m. on the 18th instant, a liver-and-white pointer pup, 3½ months old. The finder will be rewarded on returning the same.
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